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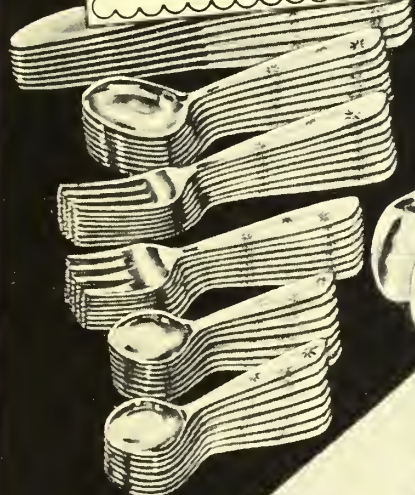
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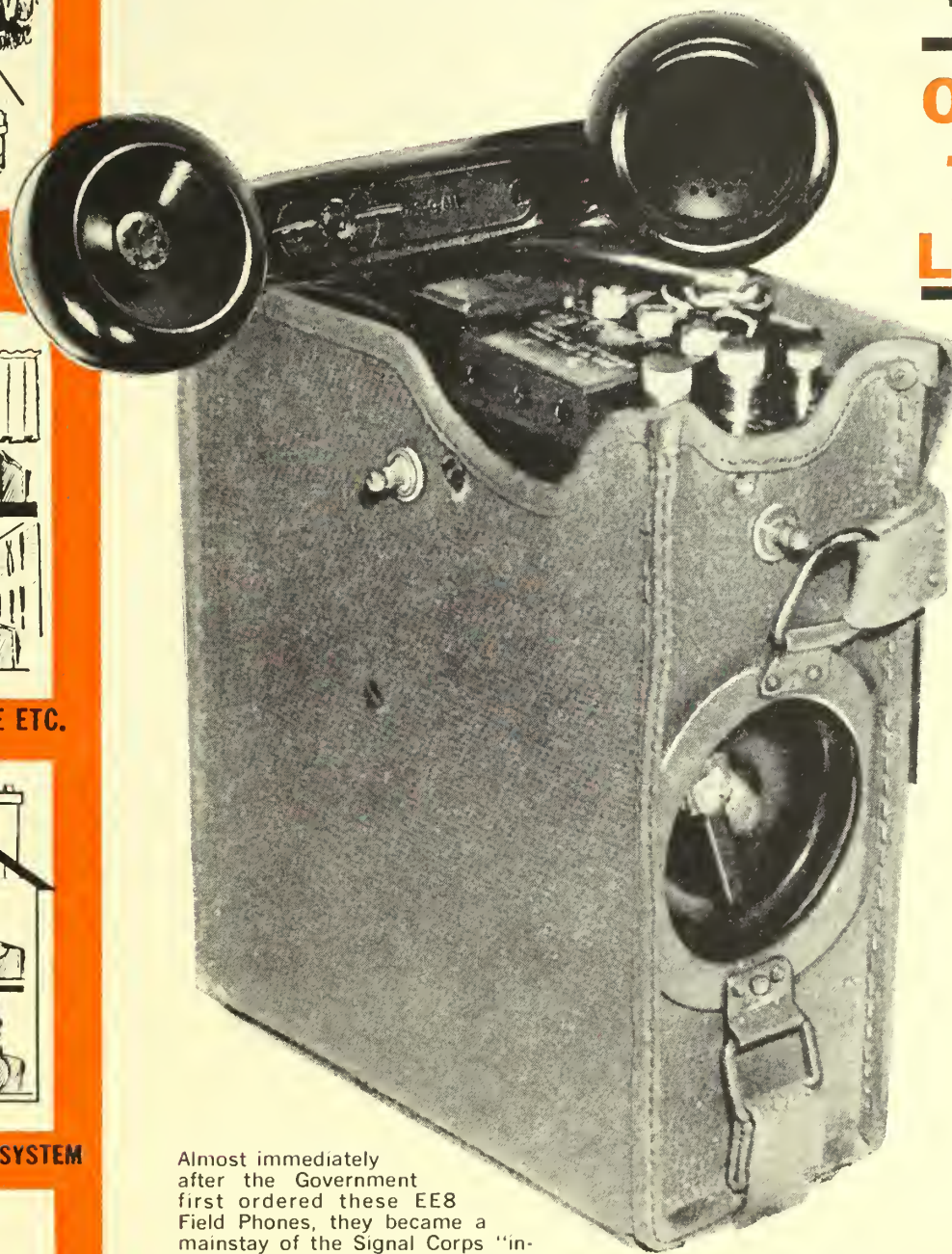
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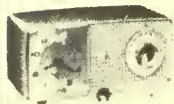
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BUT, MY DEAR, can you name a single thinking person who would rather be dead than Red?

It is up to us to show the Soviet Union we have no aggressive plans. We must take the initiative by destroying our weapons.

Granted, the Russians did commit some excesses in establishing a communistic society. But look at their accomplishments under communism!

Don't you see that Khrushchev is our greatest bulwark against the Chinese Reds who, after all, are the real threat?

What a terrible impression we must make on the Afro-Asians with our war-like posture! What a dreadful handicap for poor Mr. Stevenson at the U.N.

What they're trying to do is make it appear as though the Administration's plans for social reform are communistic.

After all, what danger is there from the handful of communists in this country? The real threat is from reactionaries with their fascist ideas.

If we had not rebuffed Castro in the early stages of his reform, he would not have turned to the Soviet for help. Everyone knows he was an anti-communist.

I think every print of "Operation Abolition" should be seized and destroyed. It represents a grave threat to civil rights and freedom of expression.

Army officers have no business discussing communism with enlisted men. Such discussion should be left to experts like Edward R. Murrow.

Everyone knows that Chiang Kai-shek is a corrupt reactionary who was thrown out of China by the people because he tried to stop their agrarian reform movement.

So Whittaker Chambers is dead! He's the horrible person who got Senator McCarthy to destroy that brilliant Alger Hiss and drive him out of public life.

But, my dear fellow, intelligent people don't fall for patriotism any more. That sort of chauvinism is for the kind of people who will sign loyalty oaths.

We ought to be realistic, accept the inevitable, and stop trying to keep the mainland Chinese out of the U.N. How else can we gain their friendship?

But of course it's true; I read it in the *New York Times*.

ON THE LINE

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"What's that? You object? How do you expect to win the war against communism?"

A WORRIED MAN

THE MYSTERIOUS EAST is making Chester Bowles a disturbed man. As our distinguished Under Secretary of State put it:

"I am worried. I am frankly very worried."

This state of mind was not brought on by rumors that he was going to be fired but by a diplomatic errand involving India's Jawaharlal Nehru. Chester had been dispatched to New Delhi to enlist India's support in the Berlin crisis, and apparently the prospects did not look very bright.

The importance of this diplomatic mission cannot be sufficiently emphasized. Obviously, if India refuses to throw its support behind the West there is no sense in trying to hold Berlin. The keys of the city should be turned over to Khrushchev without further delay so the communists can bring their vaunted prosperity to the Western part of the German metropolis.

Where, after all, would we have been in the Korean War if we had had to go it alone without Nehru's help? In that conflict, you will recall, Nehru showed a touching gratitude for the hundreds of millions of dollars we had given him by offering us the use of a field ambulance unit, plus a small surgical unit. In case of war with Russia, we might well need that equipment again, as Mr. Bowles is well aware.

Skeptical people, thinking of the 2.4 billions of dollars we have given Nehru to date (not to mention another billion on the way) might argue that the price of India's support is pretty steep. They may even say that we could buy out General Motors with those billions and make ambulances by the millions.

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Sir: I enjoyed "A Tribute to the 24th" by Franklin M. Davis, Jr. in the August issue. I have read some fine stories on just about every outfit that was in Korea with the exception of one, of which I was a member. This outfit seems to have been the forgotten men of this so-called police action. I am referring to the 187th Regimental Combat Team. This small group of paratroopers made two combat jumps and was moved all over Korea wherever a hole had to be plugged. I think it is high time that someone remembers that we existed.

Paul L. Davis
Liberty, Ind.

SENSE OF REALITY

Sir: It looks as though Frank Harris, whose letter appears in "Sound Off!" for August, is trying to rewrite history. To describe Japan, Germany and Italy in 1940 as "the European and Asian bulwarks against world communism" is to lose all sense of reality. Rampant totalitarianism is evil whether it be of the left or the right, whether it be communist or fascist. And let us never forget it, or in struggling against one tyranny we shall fall victims to another.

Rabbi Robert I. Kahn
Past National Chaplain
Houston, Tex.

EXCEPTIONS

Sir: In his letter in "Sound Off!" for August, M. J. Shevlin states that the film "Operation Abolition," dealing with the San Francisco riots, has never been shown on television to the gen-



eral public. Out here in Los Angeles we have a TV commentator whose name is Tom Duggan, and he has had the courage to show the above-mentioned film twice on his program. Mr. Duggan, like the film, is controversial, but he is avid fighter of communism.

Betty L. Zotos
Pacoian, Calif.

Sir: "Operation Abolition" has been shown on Denver television.

Greg Sharits
Denver, Colo.

Sir: This film was shown on WSUN, St. Petersburg.

Chester L. Knarr
St. Petersburg, Fla.

Sir: The film was broadcast over Station WBIR-TV in Knoxville, Tenn.

G. W. T. Kearsley
Oak Ridge, Tenn.

AN ANSWER TO THE PROPAGANDISTS PROMOTING DISARMAMENT

On August 5 a group of students at the University of Wisconsin staged a demonstration to "call attention to the bombing of Hiroshima," and to "the wrong our country committed 16 years ago." In response to this, Gordon Roseleip, Past Department Commander of The American Legion, wrote an open letter which we publish herewith, as an eloquent reply to the propagandists who use the Hiroshima bombing as an argument in their demands that we give up our nuclear weapons:

Sirs: The *State Journal* reports that a group of university students, led by your committee plans to make a "march" on Truax Field in Madison "to reawaken the American conscience to the wrong our country committed 16 years ago" (in dropping the atom bomb on Hiroshima).

I am writing to advise you there are at least 1 million Americans who disagree with you. These are the million Americans who it is estimated would have been casualties on the beaches of Honshu and Hokkaido if our country had been forced to make an amphibious attack on the main Japanese Islands in order to win the war.

In case you have forgotten, or never learned, it was the Japanese who started the war.

Of course, at that time you "students" were barely out of diapers and would not have been called upon to do the dying on the Japanese beaches. Nevertheless, it is difficult to understand the tortured logic by which you have arrived at the conclusion that it would have been perfectly "right and honorable" to sacrifice a million American servicemen in order to spare the Japanese any casualties in an atom bombing.

War is admittedly ugly. And there is no method of killing in war that is any more "humane" than another. Japanese casualties are estimated to be a million as a result of our incendiary bomb raids on Tokyo and other large Japanese cities. This, apparently, was too unspectacular to arouse your consciences.

Every American serviceman who died on virtually every island across the western Pacific was just as dead as the Japanese who died at Hiroshima. Have you no tears for them?

The University of Wisconsin would

Sir: I saw it televised on TV Station KSOO, Sioux Falls, S.D.

Paul O. Pearson
Cottonwood, Minn.

Apparently some individual stations telecast "Operation Abolition." However, no one has reported seeing the film on any of the big networks. In view of all the controversy that the film aroused and the thousands of words aired by the networks on the subject, it is strange indeed that they did not let the public see for themselves what the discussion was all about.

The Editors.

NIGHT FISHING

Sir: We were pleased to read "Fishing's Best at Night" in the August issue. Both my husband and I are crazy about fishing after dark. We have caught many a big fish that we could never find in the daytime. Twice my husband has caught an 11-pound catfish at about 11:30 P.M. Our friends ask us how we do it and we tell them to try fishing between dark and daylight.

Name Withheld
Elkhart, Ind.

APPROVE OF ANGER

Sir: Your "Angry Old Man" should get angry more often. He certainly hit the nail on the head, in his article "A Reply to the 'Angry Young Men,'" in the August issue. This has needed to be said for a long time, so thanks to you and Berton Braley for coming out with it.

Hal Chadwick
Noel, Mo.

Sir: I should like to commend you for the excellent article "A Reply to the 'Angry Young Men.'" It should be

not have an undeserved nationwide reputation as "the finishing school for crack-pots" if you would spend less time making "demonstrations" and more time attending classes in logic. On second thought, if the activities of students like you are any indication, the university probably doesn't offer any courses in logic.

I would not be surprised to hear next that you "students" are planning a "Pearl Harbor Day Demonstration" to awaken the American conscience to the wrong our country committed when it went to war to defend itself.

While you are shedding tears for the Japanese at Hiroshima, say a prayer for the thousands of Chinese women and children who were raped and used for bayonet practice by Japanese soldiers when they invaded China, give a demonstration for the Americans who were tortured and died during the Bataan death march.

And offer a word of thanksgiving to the hundreds of thousands of Americans who have died in the past to preserve for you the freedoms you now abuse by denouncing your country for defending itself, with stupid demonstrations like the one you are planning.

spread throughout our fair land, schools and elsewhere, for it is truly refreshing.

John Winans Roe
Auburn, Ala.

Sir: I doubt that I've ever read anything more refreshing and truthful than "A Reply to the 'Angry Young Men'" in your August issue. Hurrah for the author and hurrah for you for publishing such an article.

Walker Y. Worth
Raleigh, N.C.

Sir: Thank you for your wonderful article "A Reply to the 'Angry Young Men.'" You voiced the opinion of many Americans who become angry with constant degrading of everything in the United States.

Mrs. O. M. Nilson
Sioux Falls, S.D.

COMMENDABLE

Sir: I am sending herewith a newspaper clipping concerning the patriotic actions of two Seattle men. This should be headline news throughout America.

Mrs. Annie F. Masters
Kent, Wash.

The clipping sent by Mrs. Masters told that M. E. Hillman, head of Republic Electric & Development Co., and Gordon B. Anderson, president of Puget Sound Fabricators, Inc., had declined a \$150,000 order from Russia, approved by the State Department, which would give the communists an advanced automatic method of sorting lumber. Mr. Anderson was reported as saying: "We must be willing to be counted on as thinking of our own country's welfare before the dollar." We commend the thought to those businessmen who don't mind dealing with the Reds.

The Editors

WRITE CONGRESS

Sir: A Legionnaire friend has been passing on to me his *American Legion Magazine* which I very much enjoy receiving. I enjoy the "Editor's Corner" and the letters that appear in your "Sound Off!" department. What a tremendous impact such letters would have if they were addressed to the writers' Congressmen and Senators. I feel certain if these contributors could be prevailed upon to present the same views to certain members of Congress and if they would let them know in no uncertain terms that they are not there to sell us out to the socialists and communists, there would be an awakening that is long overdue.

Mrs. Irene Brentlinger, Secretary
The Constitution Society of Ohio
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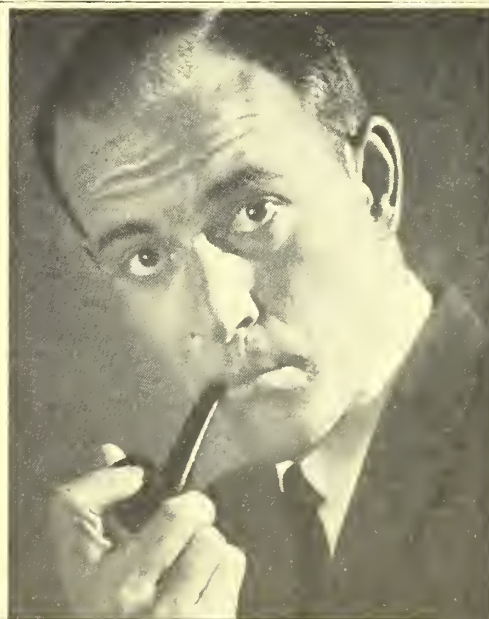
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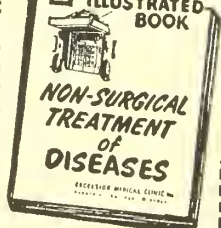
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Are often associated with Glandular Inflammation. These disorders, we can successfully treat for you, at the same time we treat Glandular Inflammation.

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YOUR PERSONAL AFFAIRS

Information that can help you with everyday problems.

The 125th anniversary of the Patent Office now is in progress, so if you happen to be in Washington you may want to acquaint yourself with some of the Office's machinery and methods.

Two points about inventions that continue to be stressed by Commissioner David L. Ladd are:

1. **The production of new ideas is as fantastic as ever.** Every workday the Patent Office gets well over 300 applications; every Tuesday it issues about 1,000 patents.

2. Inventors can avoid a lot of headaches, and possibly save some valuable time, if they would **first read up on the basics of the patent situation.** For this purpose, some easy, inexpensive literature is available:

- **Patents and Inventions — an Information Aid for Inventors** (Supt. of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office; Washington 25, D.C.; 15¢). This booklet helps you decide whether to apply for a patent, tells how to get patent protection, and gives tips on the marketing of your invention.

- **Patent Attorneys Available to Represent Inventors Before the U.S. Patent Office** (U.S. Government Printing Office; 45¢). This is a complete roster of the professionals who may prosecute applications for you.

- **General Information Concerning Patents** (U.S. Patent Office; Washington, 25, D.C.; single copy free). This gives the broad patent picture and the workings of the Patent Office in layman's language.

Note how the installment-buying philosophy is creeping into the housing field.

Now that the government is guaranteeing still broader loans on homes, the prospective purchaser is likely to use the **size of monthly mortgage payments as his main criterion for acquiring a house.** (Downpayments, once a big factor, have faded far into the background.)

If you want to speculate on your financial fate when you purchase a home under government mortgage insurance (non-GI), here's what it comes down to:

- Your **monthly payments** will vary from about \$82 to \$128 over a 35-year stretch for **new homes** in the \$15,000 to \$25,000 bracket.

- For **older homes** in the same range, your monthly payments will go from \$86 to \$136 over a 30-year haul.

- In either case, the **downpayment** will be between \$450 and \$2,200.

- You should, of course, remember to put **real estate taxes** into your budget. But both interest payments on your mortgage and real estate taxes are deductible from income taxes, so you have a partial offset here.

- **Repairs** may run from ½% to 1% of the value of the house annually, government statistics show.

Most experts agree that there are decided financial advantages to buying over renting (broadly speaking, of course). Moreover, the higher you go up the income ladder, the more pronounced this advantage becomes.

You hear more and more about the economy of "charter flights" to far-off places these days. You can, indeed, often save a good bit of air fare by going with a special group. However, keep this in mind:

- Airlines will charter planes only to **bona fide organizations.** You can't just get a flock of friends together and expect to beat the regular fare via a mass purchase.

- **Type of equipment and season of the year are big factors in the price.** A prop-driven plane is cheaper than a jet; so are flights when the tourist season is at an ebb.

- **You must come and go with your plane.** If you miss it, you'll have to catch up on a regular flight at regular rates.

Note for late fall and winter frogmen: Don't hold your breath too long under water because you may exhaust your oxygen reservoir and suddenly pass out, warns Dr. Albert B. Craig, Jr., of the University of Rochester School of Medicine & Dentistry. And don't compound the felony by over-breathing before you get into the water; you could throw your whole breathing cycle out of kilter.

By Edgar A. Grunwald



WASHINGTON PRO & CON

PRESENTING BOTH SIDES OF BIG ISSUES FACING THE NATION

THIS MONTH'S SUBJECT:

Should the United Nations be Moved Out of the U.S.A.?



(PRO) There are many glaring drawbacks in having the seat of the United Nations located in New York City. These drawbacks, some of which have become evident in recent months, outweigh the advantages. I propose that consideration be given without delay to the idea of moving the U.N. headquarters to some neutral nation.

The resolution I have offered in the Congress calls upon the President to instruct the U. S. delegation to take such steps as may be appropriate to provide for such a study.

The principal benefit to be derived from shifting the U.N.'s base of operations would be to remove the delegates from the tensions and pressures which are bound to assail them as long as they reside in the largest city of one of the chief protagonists of the cold war. Nothing would be gained by moving to Moscow, London or Paris.

As a matter of fact, it has always been the policy, up to the advent of the United Nations, to have these international peace organizations in a neutral country. Anyone who has ever visited the magnificent Palais des Nations in Geneva will appreciate that this is an ideal place for any international organization.

In New York City there are many groups which are vitally and bitterly interested in the deliberations of the United Nations. The city has a vast number of foreign language newspapers and magazines that take strong, and obviously prejudiced, stands on much of the work being carried on by the delegates. This became abundantly clear last year when the City of New York was obliged to furnish Premiers Khrushchev and Castro with what amounted to an armed guard in order to keep some semblance of order.

In some quarters it has been suggested that this resolution shows opposition to the United Nations. This is, of course, utterly absurd. If the United Nations were moved to Switzerland, Holland, Belgium, Denmark or any other suitable neutral country it could perform its task with more efficiency, and certainly with more dignity. Of course, it might not receive quite as heavy a subsidy from the United States taxpayers, which would be all to the good. It certainly would save the City of New York millions in police protection.

This study, and that is all that the resolution provides, is long overdue. If the United Nations must stay in New York City, let us know of a valid reason. If not, let it go in peace, to a neutral zone.

Katherine St. George

Katherine St. George (R)
Member of Congress from the 28th District of New York



(CON) As its foremost city, New York is a symbol of the principles for which America stands, and these are also the principles of the United Nations. The presence of the U.N. serves two great purposes: it provides a home for a world body dedicated to freedom and law in the "capital" city of the free world; and it serves as a vital reminder to Americans that their own peace and freedom can only be preserved while they are committed to the advancement of world peace and freedom.

Prime advocate of removal of the U.N. from American soil is Premier Khrushchev, who contends that the U.N. cannot be neutral so long as its headquarters remain in New York. The removal of the U.N. to another site would constitute an admission that the U.N. on American territory cannot act as an impartial agency for peace. Such an admission would not only be false; it would be a paralyzing blow to the U.N.'s integrity and inflict on the United States a humiliating diplomatic defeat of epochal proportions.

The contention that the UN cannot be "neutral" while its headquarters remain on American soil is altogether specious, refuted by the record of the past 15 years. Witness the freedom with which Khrushchev and Castro played out their macabre game during the General Assembly session of 1960. Would there be greater "freedom from pressure" in Geneva, or the Hague, or New Delhi, to say nothing of Moscow? I do not think so.

Do we want Khrushchev and Castro and their ilk striking their grandiose postures in New York? This is the other principal argument put forth by those who would like to see the U.N. moved. What this really means is: Are we *afraid* of having the leaders of world communism on our soil? With our unshakeable commitment to the principles of free government, we Americans are the last people in the world who have to be shielded from ideas and propaganda, even of the most hostile nature. Those who would remove the U.N. from American soil for fear of the corrupting influence of communist propaganda are greatly under-rating the depth and profundity of the commitment of our people to democracy and freedom.

John V. Lindsay

John V. Lindsay (R)
Member of Congress from the 17th District of New York

By **HENRY P. CHAPMAN**

LIKE ANY GI with overseas service and hash marks on his uniform, Sgt. Harold Douglas had heard "Shoe shine, Joe?" yelled at him as many times as "Chow!" He heard it again when he arrived in Pusan with the 2nd Logistical Command on a slushy March night in 1952. But the Korean shoe-shine boy whose voice begged the familiar question was different.

He had no feet!

SONG YONG

How a group of GI's helped a Korean kid to walk

on his own two feet and become an upstanding American.



comfortable at his own warmth. He looked down into eyes empty as gunbarrels, at tar-black hair soaked by snow and tangled by the wind. He saw little hands flutter, like a brace of cold and dirty sparrows, into the cozy coops of the kid's armpits. He thought of his own

stand English. He answered with smiles, shrugs and bursts of "OK's" that fit the questions like square pegs in round holes.

When the troop train gasped into the Pusan station, Sgt. Douglas flipped the kid a half dollar. The Korean flashed a smile and snapped off a salute. Artil-

◀ Song Yong Cho as he appeared on a radio program in 1953. Father Wegner at left.



Song at bat. Despite his handicap he played baseball well enough to make a Boys Town team as second baseman.

In May 1960 Song, then 19, became Richard Douglas Cho, and also an American citizen. The document brought the familiar grin. ▶

Ragged, and smudged with a rusty-red shoe stain, the sprig of a boy sloshed on hands and knees through the wet snow, sliding his wooden shoeshine box ahead of him. His tiny face was half grime, half grin.

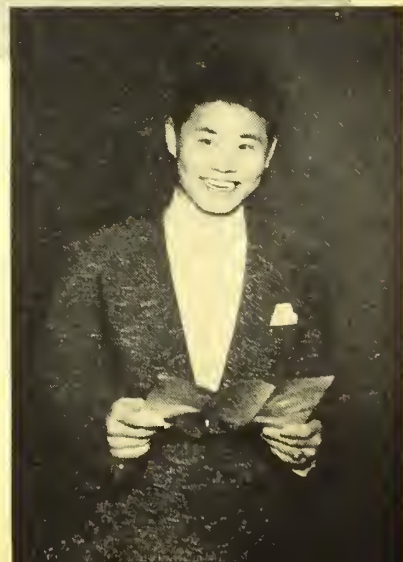
"Shoe shine, Sargie? Very No. 1 job!"

Bundled in his heavy overcoat, the stoeky sergeant suddenly felt uneom-

children, stateside in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, all seven healthy, well eared for, loved.

"Yeah," said the sergeant, thumping a combat boot on the kid's box. "I sure need a very No. 1 shine."

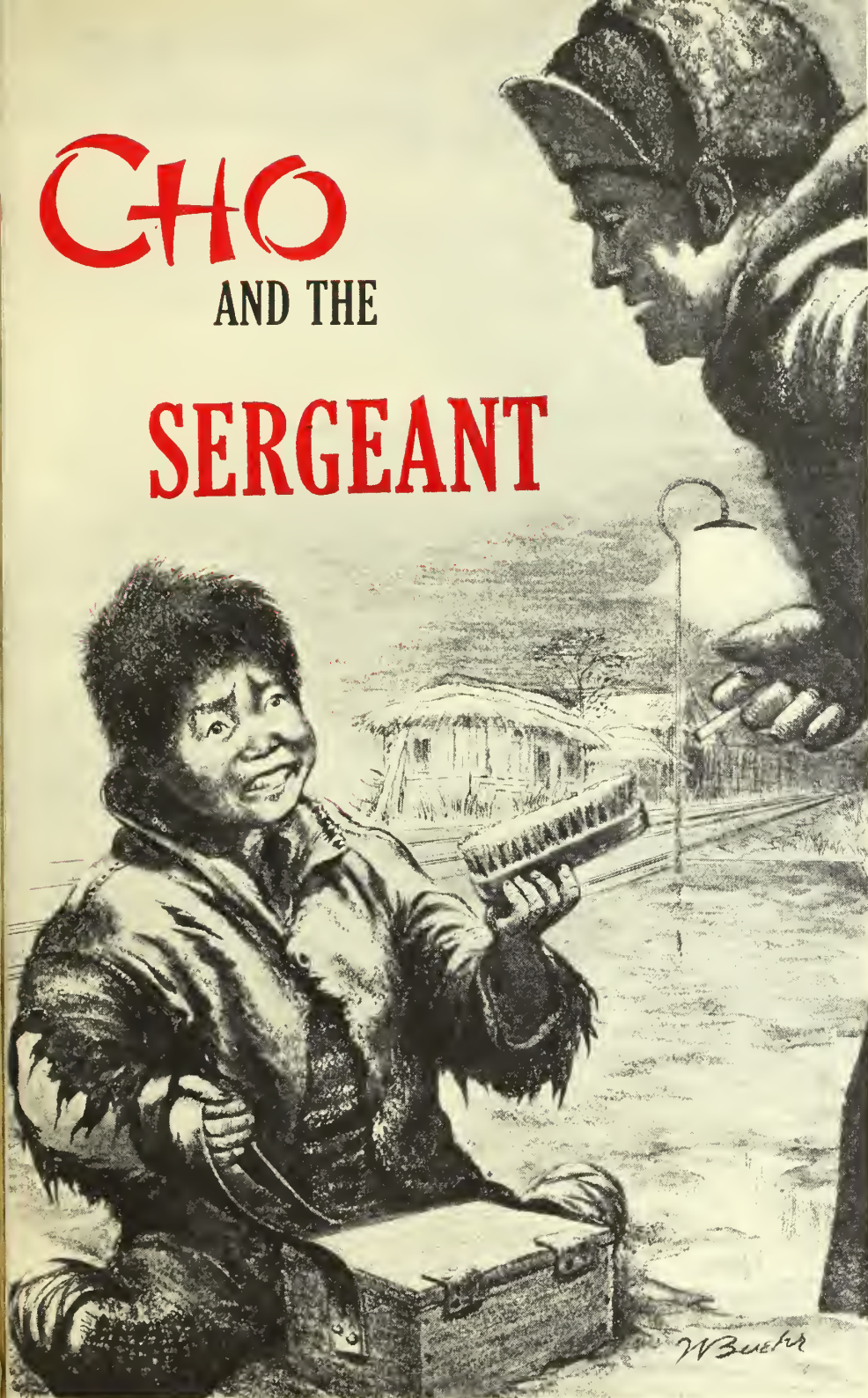
Kilowatts of cheer recharged the kid's grin. While he shined, the sergeant asked questions, but the kid did not under-



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The sergeant looked down and saw that the little shoeshine boy had no feet.

lery barraged inside the sergeant as he watched the kid drag himself through icy slush shouting in pursuit of another GI customer, "Hey, Joe! Shoe shine? Very No. 1 job!"

A few weeks later, Sgt. Douglas was assigned to a unit in Pusan. He returned to the railroad station. Barefooted shoeshine boys flocked around rattling their boxes, parroting the call of their brood. The sergeant waited until the kid with-

out feet came crawling up.

After a very No. 1 shine, Sgt. Douglas took the kid to a restaurant, where the kid ordered himself a bowl of *kim chee* (pickled vegetables) and bean cakes — twice. Then they went shopping, and, when the sergeant left, the kid was surrounded by his shivering and tattered pals as they admired the gloves and clothes the sergeant had bought him.

ILLUSTRATED BY W. BUEHR

The next day Sgt. Douglas was back with a GI buddy who could speak Korean. Between mouthfuls of chocolate and smiles, the kid answered questions. He was Song Yong Cho, 10 years old. Hometown, Seoul. Some of the questions snuffed out the smiles with a gulp. Mother and father? Missing — captured or killed by communist soldiers during the evacuation of Seoul in December 1950. No brothers, sisters or known relatives. Sgt. Douglas produced another chocolate bar. The sunny grin returned.

Glancing down at Song's half-empty trouser legs, the GI interpreter paused uneasily in his questioning. "Frostbite," said Song before being asked, pleased at having remembered the word. He had heard the doctors in Seoul use it that freezing winter of 1950, when they examined his shriveled and blackened feet. After the amputations, Song had been evacuated to an orphanage in Pusan. Like many other children, he ran away to prowl the streets as a shoeshine boy.

The story belted Sgt. Douglas with the force of a tank blast. He later repeated it to his commanding officer, and

requested permission to bring Song into the enlisted mens' quarters. Song and his battered shoeshine box moved in the following day. Then he had the first shower bath of his life followed by something else he had never had before — all the food he could eat. Between



Sgt. Harold Douglas

the sheets of his own GI bed that night, Song could not think of anything else to wish for.

Song Yong Cho became the outfit's mascot. His smile warmed everyone it glowed upon; his electricity sparked all who came in contact with him. He made gripes obsolete in the sergeant's outfit. "How can a guy gripe about a No. 10 detail," said one GI, "or at not having seen his family for a couple of years, when there's this Korean kid crawling around without feet and grinning from east to west like the ball never bounced foul for him?"

Song was happy and healthy. Plenty of GI chow, and love, put flesh on his bones and a sparkle in his eyes, yet Sgt. Douglas and the other soldiers were concerned about him. Someday Song would have to leave, and if he went back to the streets on his hands and knees he'd end up the way the Sarge had found him. If only there were some way of putting Song on his feet — literally! But

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GETTING THE DROP ON AN

By Maj. HOWARD STEVENSON

TODAY'S ARMY is totally mobile. It uses the air as well as land and sea to get its men and weapons to critical areas in the shortest time. Because technological developments have closed the time-space gap on strategic planners, hours are vital, days crucial.

Still tops with Army planners in meeting a crisis is the airborne division. All of its men, most of its vehicles and some of its heavy weapons can be dropped by parachute and readied for action in minutes after touching ground.

Considering past lessons and contemplating future operations, the airborne fighting man and his parachute will be in business for some time.

Although today's paratrooper has changed little, compared with his World War II predecessor, great progress has been made in effecting heavy equipment drops.

Where formerly mortars and bazoo- (Continued on page 38)



Vehicles and weapons mounted on an improved heavy equipment "drop kit" developed by the Army's Quartermaster Corps make possible mass airdrops of heavy loads with speed and accuracy. Bulldozers, trucks and other large items (top) are part of a 352-ton equipment drop — the largest airdrop in airborne history — staged by STRAC forces.



Hard-hitting, fast-moving, this 90-mm self-propelled gun is readied for action soon after being dropped; its three man crew can shoot and scoot.

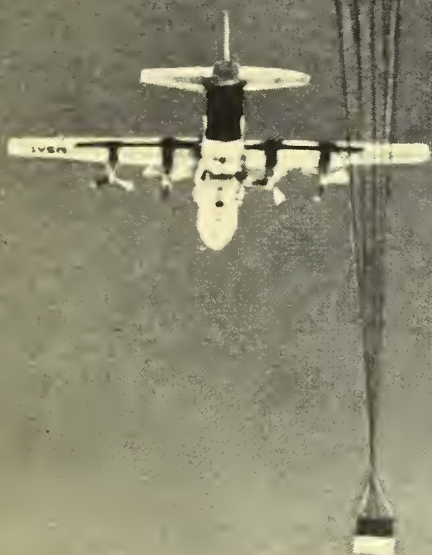


◀ Construction items such as this bulldozer enabled airborne Engineer troops to carve out a 2,500-foot by 60-foot runway in 33 hours. It was designed by Engineers for airdrop use.

▲ Hastily emplaced and camouflaged, this 155-mm howitzer can hurl shells at enemy forces miles away. Lashed to a lightweight, disposable platform, it can be safely dropped to artillerymen, saving hours of overland travel.



ENEMY

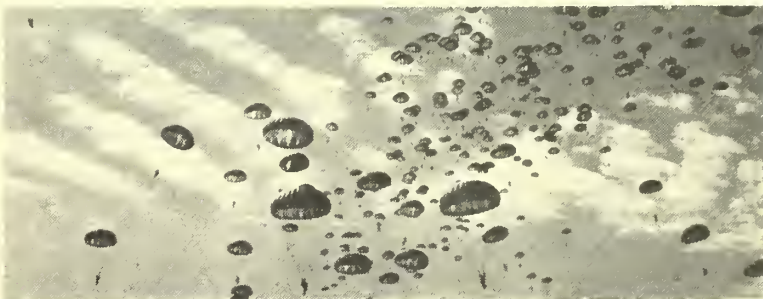


A 2½-ton truck is "special-delivered" by a cluster of six parachutes about to open (top) to waiting troops. Infantrymen remove rigging and drive the vehicle to combat.

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ANOTHER LOOK AT

By EMILIO S. IGLESIAS

IN THE 16 YEARS of its existence the United Nations has been the subject of a tremendous outpouring of glorification. Indeed, a cult of U.N.-worshippers has zealously preached the doctrine that only through the United Nations can mankind be saved. Until recently this idea was widely accepted as gospel. At banquets and at PTA meetings, in schools and in churches, the word went forth that the U.N. exemplified man at his best, using his genius to create a better world, a world of peace and brotherhood.

In the early years there were, of course, critics, people who pointed out that among the architects of the United Nations were such people as Alger Hiss. These same critics also expressed fear that the U.N. would inevitably encroach on our own sovereignty and involve itself in our domestic affairs. But most of all they were skeptical of any organization in which the U.S.S.R. and its satellites were partners. This, they said, was like permitting thieves and murderers to become members of a police association, with equal voting privileges.

Such expressions were ridiculed by those who looked so hopefully to the United Nations to achieve peace on earth and goodwill among mankind, but in recent months there has been a significant change. Even among those who once supported the United Nations with

zeal, there has been wavering. Indeed, in some cases caustic criticism has been voiced by those who were formerly the most outspoken advocates of the world organization. One of the most surprising of these comments came from Dean Acheson. Writing in the fall 1959 issue of *Orbis*, the former Secretary of State said: "The United Nations insofar as it believes that by its votes and by its debates it is accomplishing anything could not be more mistaken."

The first President of the U.N. General Assembly, M. Paul Henri Spaak, not long ago expressed his disillusionment with the U.N. by saying that he felt like "a deceived lover whose mistress has abandoned him." He went on to say that not only is the U.N. in danger but "it threatens to become a danger to others."

Charles de Gaulle expressed his opinion of the organization caustically: "The United Nations offers no more than tumultuous and scandalous sessions where it is impossible to organize objective debate and which are filled with invective delivered by the communists and their allies. The result is that in the Congo the United Nations carries to the spot its global incoherence. In these conditions France does not see how she can take any other attitude toward the United Nations—or the disunited nations—than that of the greatest reserve. In any case, she does not want to participate either through her manpower or

through her finances in any current or eventual enterprise of this organization—or disorganization."

Even certain segments of the press which once looked upon any criticism of the U.N. as a form of heresy became alarmed at the way the U.N. operated in the Congo. *The New York Times*, the *New York Herald Tribune* and the *Washington Post* sadly concluded that the U.N. was actually backing the communists in the Congo. Stewart Alsop voiced his disillusionment in a *Saturday Evening Post* article when he questioned whether we ought to continue to support the U.N.

Many Americans have been confused by what took place in the Congo and by the strange cast of characters that moved on and off that chaotic stage. The Russians, as usual, contributed to the confusion by demanding that Dag Hammarskjöld be fired for the part he played. This caused many Americans to jump to the conclusion that, since Khrushchev was against the Congo operation, it was *ipso facto* a meritorious action. Actually it was not that simple. Khrushchev was satisfied with the U.N.'s performance until his stooge Lumumba was captured by anti-communists. Then, and only then, did he turn on Hammarskjöld. Which was unfair, in a way, since obviously the Secretary General of the U.N. had done little to interfere with Lumumba and his forces.

Ideally, the U.N. force dispatched to



GAMAL NASSER

KRISHNA MENON

JOSIP BROZ TITO

SEKOU TOURE

EDVARD MEZINCESCU

MAMADOU AW

THE UN

Some of its actions are causing many to feel that we should
not allow our foreign policy to be dominated by U.N. moves.



Charges of pro-communist bias by India's Gen. Dayal caused his recall from the Congo. Later India sent a large contingent of Gurkhas. Here one group is being seen off by Menon. The U.S. provided the transportation.

restore order in the Congo should have functioned without fear or favor. That, after all, is the way idealists envision any U.N. police force. But in actual practice the U.N. force acted in a disillusioning manner. Troops and leadership reflected the political coloration of the various countries of origin, and that coloration was predominantly red, or at least a deep pink. Supposed to be neutral, the leaders of the U.N. forces seemed consistently neutral in favor of the Lumumba faction. Because of this,

enraged anti-communist Congolese on several occasions fought U.N. troops.

Chief target of the criticism was an Indian, Rajeshwar Dayal, sent to the Congo by Secretary General Hammarskjold as his personal representative. Admittedly the assignment was no easy one, but Dayal's pro-communist bias aroused such a storm of protests that he had to be removed. And his actions are understandable when it is considered that he is a protege of Krishna Menon, India's Minister of Defense who has shown little love for the West.

As this is written, the turmoil in the Congo has ceased, at least temporarily, while the leaders of the rival factions meet to discuss the formation of a coalition government, with the communists' current favorite, Gizenga, making unreasonable demands as the price of his co-operation.

The Congo crisis is only one of many U.N. actions that have caused deep concern over the implications of those actions. There are many who have excused and continue to excuse U.N. inaction by saying that the world organization does not have enough power to keep the peace. Their suggested remedy is that the U.N. be given a more powerful army, usually referred to as a "police force." But now the disquieting thought arises as to how far the U.N. can be trusted with the power it already has, let alone greater power. Given a powerful body of troops, would the U.N. use this force as it did in the Congo, tempering its vaunted idealism to the political winds that blow in the halls of the U.N. Building, and bending to Russian threats and bluster?

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By **GEORGE LAYCOCK**

WHenever the wilderness scout Daniel Boone was asked if he had ever been lost, he always had a ready answer. "Nope," Dan'l would reply, "but I've been mighty confused for several days at a time." And some Indian, name unknown, gained famed with his remark, "Indian not lost. Teepee can't find him."

These answers emphasize one of the basic shortcomings of outdoorsmen so far back in history that there wasn't anything but outdoors; no one likes to admit that he can get lost. The truth is,



may get lost. Take a few advance precautions, then go where the wilderness calls you, where the big trout promise unforgettable excitement and the air is clean, quiet and relaxing.

This is precisely what an ever-growing throng of Americans are doing. People with more and more free time are venturing outdoors to find excitement and relaxation. Some 25 million go fishing every year. An estimated 5 million families go camping, and their numbers are building rapidly. Still more millions go picnicking, hunting, bird watching, and violet picking. And, always to their everlasting surprise, some

How **NOT** to Get **LOST**

Precautions that can keep you from getting into a dangerous predicament.

however, that there's not a man alive who can't lose his way in the woods. It's easy. And what's more, it's no disgrace. Unlike the migrating mallard, man is not endowed with built-in direction finders.

Those wilderness guides who never seem to get lost, or even confused, are easily explained, too. They've been there before. They know the landmarks and they have the area memorized. Put them in strange country and you'll see them bring forth maps and compass. They won't offer any excuses about it either. Experienced wilderness travelers know better than most of us how easy it is to get lost. In fact, they go prepared. The sooner all sportsmen adopt the same attitude of respect for the outdoors, the better off they'll be and the fewer hardships they'll face if they do get off the beaten path.

You don't have to invade the Western wilds to lose your way. One dark evening, a few years ago, while hunting deer in northern Ohio farm country, a member of our party got lost in a large farm woods that was a mile or so across. The twisting creek with its multitude of oxbow bends confused him. An hour and a half after he was supposed to meet the rest of his party he came out of it. Even then he was on the wrong side and made his way to the lights of a farmhouse.

This episode was made no happier by the fact that the farmer at whose door he knocked, and onto whose land he

had stumbled by mistake in the darkness, had his fields posted against deer hunting.

There is no point, however, in staying home and moping just because you

of them have to be rescued and led out of the woods.

It can start innocently enough. You're hunting deer and you follow a set of tracks over the next ridge and deeper

TIPS TO GET YOU HOME SAFELY



When darkness comes on, find a protected spot and make a fire.



Blaze marks on trees will help guide you to your starting place.



Oldtimers suggest that you follow a stream, but before you do...



Sit down and give some thought to the route you've taken. Don't panic!



Experienced woodsmen carry whistles to let others know their whereabouts.



Your best safeguard is a compass, and some practical experience in handling it.

into the woods. Eventually the tracks are lost and you look around for some familiar landmark. You don't find it. The empty feeling you get is one recognized by thousands of people who have lost themselves in the outdoors. It's what you do at that moment that classifies you as a woodsman or as one who exposes himself to unnecessary hardship and danger. If you've taken precautions, you can find your way out, or if you have no choice you can of necessity live for weeks in the wilderness.

As you might imagine in this electronic age, somebody has invented a gadget to help outdoorsmen. Now you can venture forth electronically equipped to keep in touch with your companions. Latest version of the walkie-talkie is a transistor sending-and-receiving set small enough to fit into your hunting-coat pocket.

These tiny radio sets operated on citizen-band frequencies don't even require a license for use by members of a party-keeping contact with each other. You and your deer-hunting companions, each equipped with such a transistor set, can communicate at distances up to a mile and, in some terrain, considerably further. Even if you're both lost you have company. The two most popular such units marketed sell at around \$50 each. By assembling such a unit from a kit, you can save \$15.

However, centuries before radio, people had devised ways to keep from getting lost. One involves the use of a whistle. Many camping families insist that each of the children wear a whistle around his neck. He's taught to blow it only to give his location and to blow it often if he gets lost. Many a family has whistled itself back together.

The experienced woodsman invariably

places his trust in a compass. To such a man, a compass is as important as a gun. A compass is almost as important as some kind of map. It doesn't help to know which direction is north unless you know in which direction you want to go. Know the direction in which you traveled out of the hunting camp and you can use your compass to head back.

There are good low-priced maps available from the U.S. Geological Survey, Washington 25, D.C. For areas west of the Mississippi River write to Federal Center, Denver, Colo.

If you have no map, make your own as you leave your camp. Record the time spent walking in each compass direction and note the major landmarks. The more you do this, the more you notice landmarks automatically. You begin to feel more at home in the outdoors. You also begin to reduce your chances of getting lost.

Trust in your compass. Once you begin to doubt its accuracy you may be in real trouble. If it revolves freely, it's pointing north providing there is no metal lying near it. But it is pointing out magnetic, not true, north and you need to account for this if you want to come out close to your destination. In the Far West the needle points as much as 14 degrees to the east of true north.

Providing the sun is cooperating and your watch is accurate, you can substitute your watch for a compass. Lay your watch down with the hour hand pointing toward the sun. A twig held at the edge of the watch will cast a shadow along the hour hand. What does this tell you? It tells you that south is half way between the hour hand and the number 12 on your watch. By reversing this trick, you can even use a compass to set your watch.

At that moment when you admit that you're lost, you may discover some

things about yourself that you never guessed before. The next few minutes could be the most important ones you ever faced.

Panic is your enemy now. Fear is a normal reaction to such danger. But uncontrolled fear can lead to temporary madness. Gripped with this panic strong men have been known to run through the woods until their clothes are ripped off, their flesh lacerated, and they fall exhausted and exposed to the weather.

A few years ago, while elk hunting in a northern Idaho wilderness, I realized just before dark that I had lost my sense of direction. I was no longer certain which way I should travel to return to camp. I resisted the impulse to double-time in the direction that seemed right to me, and instead, sat down against a big tree to think and catch my breath.

The small stream below me was the key to the puzzle. I thought over the direction in which I had followed the stream from camp, how long I had traveled and whether this had taken me over any ridges and into a different watershed. The direction in which I headed for camp was almost the opposite from the one in which I would have traveled if I had followed my first impulse. As an added precaution I made blaze marks with my hunting knife on the trees so I could return to the place where I first realized that I was lost.

But the stream led me right back to camp. Later that evening the guide told of five hunters who had gone into that same wilderness 3 years before. It was 40 miles across to the nearest road. The five hunters still hadn't been found.

The first thing to do when you get lost is to think about improving your situation. Stay where you are at least until you develop a plan for travel. Rescuers will stand a far better chance of finding you if you're not moving about. Three evenly spaced shots from your gun may be enough to tell them where you are.

Sporting-goods stores are now carrying a new shell flare that will fit most big-game rifles and 12-gauge shotguns. These come in packs of three. One of them fired from your shotgun will make a brilliant 10,000-candlepower red fireworks display to guide companions to your position.

You may be able to do the same thing with a smudge fire. Toss green evergreen boughs onto a hot wood fire. It's an old trick that still works.

About the time you've made a smudge fire, shot your flares and tried to summon help by your transistor radio (all without success), you begin to take

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By DALE SHAW

THE PRESS THESE past few years has been heavily laden with the name Kennedy. Out of several billion words has risen a curious impression that President Kennedy is a crack athlete and scion of a family composed entirely of Olympic champions. But when the Kennedy sporting proposition is examined closely, we see in perspective the mainspring of a dynamic American family: unity and strength through sports competition.

Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy, mother of the President and eight other Kennedys, put it this way: "Even in school games and races, we always took an interest. We went, and watched, and then talked about it afterwards. If they didn't win, we tried to find out why."

And there were plenty of games and races to keep track of. They played every conceivable sport from touch football to tennis, and they had horses to ride and boats to sail at the family summer home in Hyannis Port, Cape Cod.



In this Kennedy family photograph the future President, then 17, is at extreme left. In the back row are Kathleen, Joe Jr., Rosemary, Mrs. Kennedy and Ted. Middle row: Jack, Eunice, Mr. Kennedy and Pat. First row: Bobby and Jean.



Bobby Kennedy, with sister Jean, at Hyannis Port.



Eunice, Mr. Kennedy and Pat. The setting is believed to be England.

Father, Joseph Patrick Kennedy, plunged his youngsters into athletic activity and plunged in with them. Today at 72, he still rises before 7 a.m. to play 18 holes of golf or ride horseback for a couple of hours. In those days he was a very nimble father; in his youth he had won the Boston batting championship for school boys and the varsity first base slot at Harvard. As his family grew, people remarked with some truth, "Trying to raise a ball club, Joe?" For finally there were nine children in all, every one willing to go to bat in a soft ball game.

First was his son Joe, born as were all but young Edward in a bedroom of a two-story house in Brookline, Massachusetts. Then came John Fitzgerald (Jack) 2 years later. "We gave them responsibility when they were young," says their father Joe Kennedy today.

"Joe and Jack were out in sailboats when they were so small you couldn't see their heads."

In a few years there were four little Kennedy girls watching the brothers sail while they played and swam on the beach at Hyannis Port. They were Rosemary, a quiet girl; Kathleen, sports loving, yet considerate and understanding; Eunice, vigorous and well coordinated; and Patricia, considered today most beautiful of the Kennedy girls, particularly by her husband, actor Peter Lawford.

In 1927, Robert was born, a lightly built athletic fellow, followed 5 years later by Edward (Teddy). Soon Bobby and Teddy sailed, rode and played ball together and against one another.

All in all, a lot of Kennedys, and a lot of sports. They had room for it, too, at

homes in Brookline, Bronxville, the permanent Cape Cod summer place, and later at Palm Beach, Florida. And they had boats, ponies, horses, tennis courts and beaches. Just a high athletic activity? Actually, father Joe Kennedy was carrying out a program for child rearing.

Once Joe got in a terrible argument with his sons Joe and Jack. "Let them fight," he said later. "The important thing is that they fight *together*. I can take care of myself." Oddly enough, the intense competitiveness developed among the sporting Kennedys led to a triumphant, unshakeable togetherness.

Jack recalls, "When we were growing up, Dad played tennis with all of us kids." A close observer recalls, "Joe would stand out in the yard and throw the baseball with his sons, or watch them closely as they played touch football."

THE COMPETITIVE

KENNEDYS

Sports competition is the mainspring of this dynamic family.

The 60-yard touch-football lawn, bounded by edge of beach, edge of porch, porch corner (goal) and "that rose bush over there," was and is today the scene of many a wild scramble. The tougher the game, the louder Dad yowled his approval.

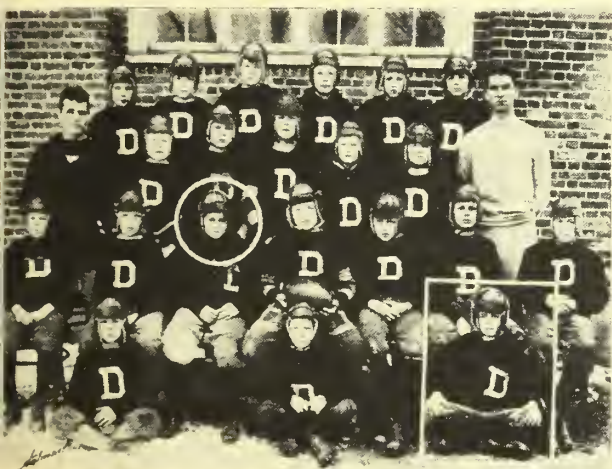
Bobby, now Attorney General, remembers racing his sailboat on Nan-

block on bicycles in opposite directions—and collided head on, Jack needed 28 stitches; Joe was unscathed. Bobby Kennedy remembers hiding upstairs with his sisters while his big brothers fought on the first floor. Yet it was Jack and Joe who taught him to sail and play tennis and confirmed his fierce love of sports.

Rose Kennedy would patch up her

Once more Rose Kennedy whisked Bobby off to the doctor. He had a gaping wound in his head.

Joseph Kennedy, Jr. reached maturity first, showed the makings of the ideal American. He played varsity football and swam at Harvard, and graduated *cum laude*; his father would probably rank his achievements in that order.



Two Kennedys made the first team of Dexter School's football squad. Jack is at right in square. Joe is circled.



Joe made a name for himself at Harvard. Jack tried hard to match it.



The President-to-be as a member of the Harvard swimming team.

tucket Sound under Jack's careful tutelage, while Dad splashed along beside them in his motor cruiser watching every move and offering advice. He was an unhappy father, however, when his boys lost. Once, two brothers were sent away from the table because they had not gone all out to win a sailing race.

Joe Kennedy boosted such intense competition that games turned into Donnybrooks. When he was away, there was no let-up, either, because his son Joe happily assumed his role as authoritarian and instructor. Jack says of his brother, "Joe was the star of our family. He did everything better than the rest of us. Joe had a pugnacious personality. Later on it smoothed out, but it was a problem in my boyhood."

In their contests, Jack always came in second. Once they raced around the

children and send them back out to play (and fight). She never panicked at the sight of blood, was on very good terms with the family doctor.

An old family friend remarked, "They fight each other, yet they feed on each other. They're the most competitive and at the same time the most cohesive family I've ever seen."

At times this cohesiveness seemed to dissolve.

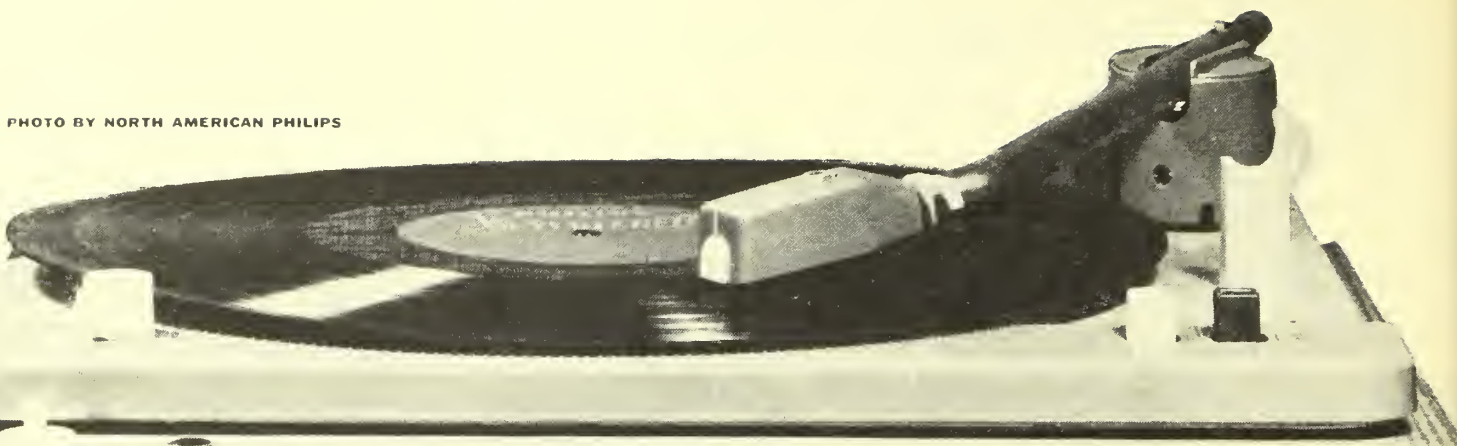
Eunice was very lively and mischievous (she still is). Once she decided to decorate Bobby for bravery, rolled up the chocolate frosting off a layer cake and threw the gummy missile across the dinner table at his face. She was rather accurate. Bobby gave chase, cornered her and then charged like a bull, head lowered. Eunice stepped gracefully aside.

When Joe entered Harvard to create a legend of versatility and personality that still lingers there, Jack was entering Choate, a select private school noted for famous graduates.

His Choate roommate K. Lemoyne Billings, today a close friend of the President and his family, remembers him then as a thin not-too-strong boy with an engaging personality. He remembers how Jack tore into half a dozen sports furiously and how disappointed he was that he never made the varsity. His coaches marked him off as eager, scrappy, yet reluctant to give himself in practice. Billings feels that Jack just wasn't strong enough, that he was giving too much as it was, spreading himself too thin.

In his senior year, he wrote his father
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Now Hear These

Now you can get education, entertainment, exciting sounds from phonograph records.

By FRANK RIZZATTI

IN 1960, the hi-fi and stereo craze shot phonograph record sales to \$480 million, with every indication that this figure would be topped by an appreciable margin in 1961. The best seller list was headed by the popular singers of the day: Frank Sinatra, Elvis Presley, Harry Belafonte, Pat Boone, Ricky Nelson, Tony Bennett, Doris Day, Connie Francis, Perry Como, the Kingston Trio, the Everlys, etc. All of these, and others too, had made records that climbed well above the 100,000 sales mark; many reached 500,000, and more than a few crested the magic million, a figure that is regarded with considerable respect in record circles.

But something else was happening. Not all of the public interest centered on the popular singing idols. Fellows who couldn't sing a note—Bob Newhart, Shelley Berman, Dave Gardner and others—were beginning to make more than a slight impression. Their records were breaking into the best seller lists

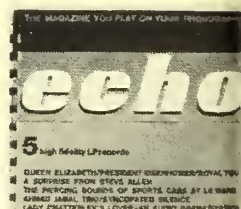
with some regularity. In addition there was a tremendous increase of interest in all kinds of nonmusical records. People everywhere were once more becoming aware that the phonograph and records

were providing more than just the fare of glamorous warblers and popular "name bands."

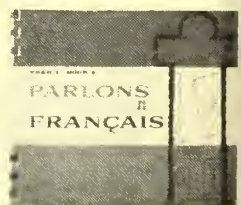
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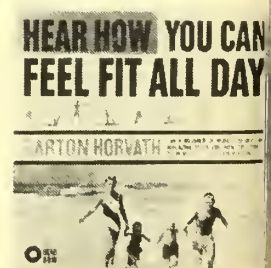
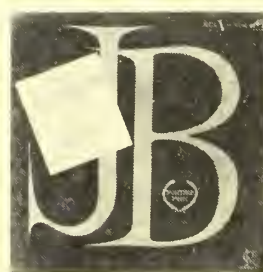
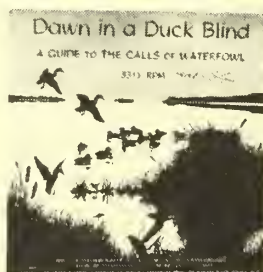
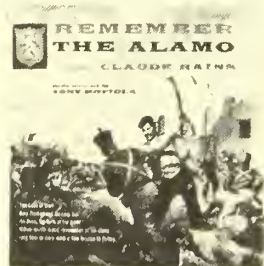
Steam locomotive sounds fascinate many people. Here Audio-Fidelity transcribes stereophonically the huffing and puffing.



Echo Magazine contains five flexible 10" records in each issue



Languages are easily learned by listening



Whatever your interests, you are certain to find records dealing with them.

ing new. The very first thing to be recorded when Edison invented the phonograph, if history is correct, was a nursery rhyme, "Mary had a little lamb," recited in reedy tones by the inventor himself. In fact, before the turn of the century people were holding their sides listening to all sorts of novelties in recorded entertainment. A man named Russell Hunting, an immensely popular Irish monologist, made a record called "The Steamboat," in which he performed in 10 different voices and provided all the sound effects besides. Remember that this was during the time when phonographic sound came from cylinders and you listened through rubber ear tubes! Another chap, Dan Kelly, made a record imitating the antics of a politician up for election, making the extravagant promises of an early-day Senator Claghorn. This famous spoof would undoubtedly be a howl today, even though dated. Politicians, at least this type, don't change much.

Later on, in the days of the morning-glory horn and before the advent of the orthophonic victrola with its extended bass, the record business did not depend entirely on Enrico Caruso, Geraldine Farrar, Lina Cavalieri, Bert Williams and Nora Bayes. Some of the best sellers of the era were such items as "Cohen on the Telephone," a dialect piece that would hardly be permitted today, and "No News, Or What Killed the Dog," a lugubrious piece in broad Negro dialect. Another, "The Three Trees," was a curious recitation about a hunter and his adventure with a beautiful little rabbit and three trees, "one there, one there, and one there."

Playing records such as these today would elicit little more than looks of puzzlement from listeners. But they were played countless millions of times in the good old days, to the intense delight of groups gathered in the nation's parlors. The times themselves provide the explanation. Motor cars were certainly not plentiful, and nickelodeon flickers, although popular, were once-in-awhile entertainment. The family perforce spent a good deal of its time at home, and the phonograph offered a more professional kind of entertainment than was forthcoming when some mem-

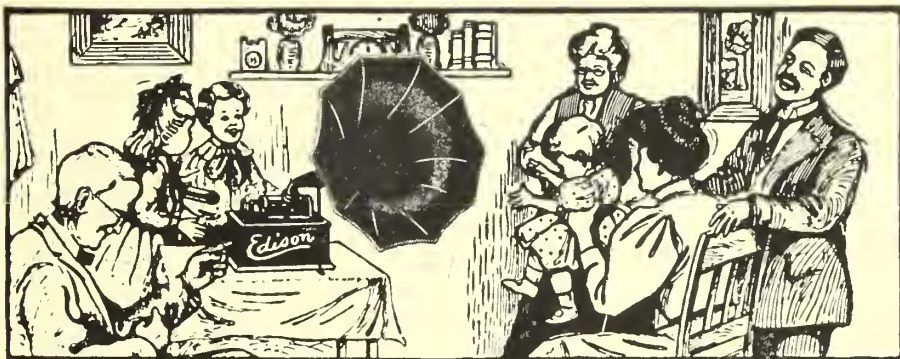
ber of the family pounded on the uncomplaining upright.

After supper the machine would be wound up and the show was on. "Good Morning, Mr. Zip, Zip, Zip," "Over There," "Vesti la Giubba," "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms," "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen," "Poet and Peasant Overture," some Sousa marches, and countless songs by John McCormack. "I Hear You Calling

guessed it) "Some Of These Days."

Radio changed all that. The wonder of the "air-waves," the sensation of listening to "live" performers, the wide variety and constant newness of the material—all this combined to relegate most phonographs to attic storerooms. Needless to say, the phonograph wasn't really dead—just struck dumb. Soon the same techniques that provided electronic amplification for the tiny signals that came

THE GOOD OLD DAYS



BETTMANN ARCHIVE

In the days of the morning-glory horn, humorous recitations were highly popular.



Sarah Bernhardt was one of many great actresses who made records.

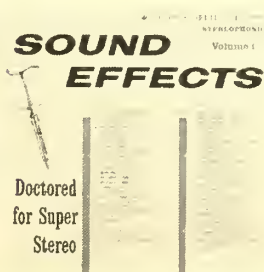
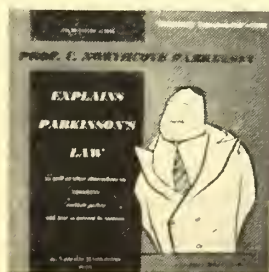


This Blackfoot Indian chief held a recording powwow for palefaces.

Me" was undoubtedly heard an overpowering number of times by every pair of ears in the land, and no less a musician than Mischa Elman played "I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles." For those people who were interested in some new unusual music there were recordings by the "Original Dixieland Jass Band" and the young Sophie Tucker singing (you

"over the air" were used to reproduce and amplify more realistically the sounds produced by the wiggle of the needle in the groove of a record. Here was a real revolution. However, the Great Depression came along, and it was years before the phonograph again could raise its head.

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ROD AND GUN CLUB



For the man with an interest in the great outdoors.

"MR. AVERAGE HUNTER" emerges from a survey conducted by Dr. Tony Peterle of the Ohio Research Unit as a craftsman or laborer in the middle income bracket. Of the hunters studied by Dr. Peterle, 40% had a farm background, and 50% said that bagging game was not as important to them as being outdoors. Legionnaires will be interested to know that 46% of the hunters had served with the Armed Forces.

THAT OUTBOARD MOTOR can be hauled with less likelihood of damage if you follow a suggestion made by Greg Reidel, of Knoxville, Iowa. He recommends that you place it on a partly inflated automobile inner tube when you transport it. This cradles it on air, so that rough roads won't cause dents or throw it out of adjustment.



YOUR OWN POND to attract ducks can be made with big sheets of thin plastic, says Harv Escher, of Eden, Wisc. The big sheets, of the type used by contractors for covering cement, are merely placed on the ground with a few decoys scattered on them. Wind rippling through the plastic causes a wave-like effect, and if there are any ducks around they'll show interest in your "pond."

WE ARE OFTEN ASKED if we know of any method of touching up guns whose bluing has worn off or which have become rusty. Conventional bluing methods call for expert handling by gunsmiths, but Ed Agramonte, Inc., 41 Riverdale Ave., Yonkers, N. Y., has developed a formula which anyone can use. Called Ed's Own Super Cold Blue, it is a liquid which is rubbed on, allowed to stand for a day, and then rubbed off with an oiled cloth. The result is a rich blue sheen. Although most gun owners use it for touching up worn spots or darkening sights, an entire gun can be blued with it. The price is \$2 a bottle.

A FINISHING TOUCH for those who go in for gun bluing is suggested by George Piskorski, of Ord, Nebraska. He says that

stove polish should be used instead of oil after the bluing has set. Two thin coats of stove polish rubbed to a deep shine will make the gun look like new, in addition to providing further protection to the surface.



TRAILBLAZING the modern way calls for a stapler. When Robert Baumer, of Cromwell, Conn., goes into the woods he doesn't blaze a trail with an ax. He carries strips of white material, 2 inches long, dipped in fluorescent yellow paint. As he walks through the woods, he fastens these to trees with a fair-sized stapler, strong enough to bite into the bark. The staples, he points out, will not damage the trees, and the pieces of material can be spotted even in poor light.

WITH COLD WEATHER coming on, our idea men keep coming up with ways and means of starting fires and keeping warm. One, which seems to have merit, comes from Dick Olivier, Danville, Kansas. He maintains that if you boil chunks of charcoal in paraffin for a half-hour you will have sure-fire igniters that will burn in rain, snow, and strong wind. Two chunks, he says, will burn for about an hour, and if enclosed in a small can they will provide enough heat to cook a meal.



LEAD SINKERS can be easily molded in an old pipe. William G. Jordan of Flomaton, Ala., who advances this idea, says that you first melt the lead in an old frying pan and pour it into the bowl of the pipe, inserting an eye made of wire when the lead starts to harden. The pipe handle permits you to manipulate the "mold."

THE SAFETY IS ON TOP of Mossberg's new "500" shotgun, just announced by the well-known Hartford, Conn. concern.

However, that is just one of many features of this attractive, reasonably priced, 12-gauge pump gun. It holds six standard 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch shells or five 3-inch magnums. You have your choice of six barrels. Four of these are conventional barrels which cost \$19.95 each; but you can get one with a C-Lect-Choke, or one which handles magnums for \$25.95 each. Each gun comes with a rubber recoil pad and has an automatic disconnecting trigger which makes accident "doubles" impossible. Prices start at \$73.50, for the standard model.

TO TRAIN YOUR DOG to retrieve properly, Sonny Harris of Fort Valley, Ga., recommends the use of balloons. Fill a balloon with water and have the dog retrieve it. If he tightens his mouth too much the balloon will burst. This will scare him enough to make him take it easy the next time he tries.

EXPERIENCED SHOOTERS are likely to know which is their master eye. But in case you do not know this very important bit of information about yourself, George D. Phelps, of Riverton, Nebr., tells how to find out. Take a sheet of paper and tear a hole the size of a dime in the middle of it. Hold it at arm's length, and with eyes open look through the hole, focusing on an object from 12 to 15 feet distant. Then, without moving the paper, close one eye and then the other. The eye that keeps the object in view is your master eye. This will help in aiming your weapon. Anyone who is unable to shoot with both eyes open should use his master eye.



GRASSHOPPERS can be poured out of a salt box if you follow the plan submitted by John E. Crozier, Phillipsburg, N. J. All you have to do is cut the top off the box, puncture holes in the lid, and put the grasshoppers (or crickets) in the container, taping the lid back on. When you need one of the insects you merely open the handy pouring spout, and out will hop *one*, not your entire collection.

FOR SAFETY'S SAKE, Paul Patton, of Huntington, W. Va., reminds us that everyone who goes into the woods should carry a small first-aid kit. Basic ingredients, he says, should be a few matches, a razor blade, several aspirin tablets, some anti-septic, Band-aids, adhesive tape, bandage, and 2x2 gauze pads.

If you have a helpful idea that pertains to hunting or fishing, send it along. If we can use it, we'll reward you with a check for \$5.00. Address: Outdoor Editor, *The American Legion Magazine*, 720 Fifth Avenue, New York 19, New York.



A DIGEST OF EVENTS WHICH ARE OF PERSONAL INTEREST TO YOU

HOUSE COMMITTEE SCUTTLED REOPENING OF VETS INSURANCE:

The House Veterans Affairs Committee has "put off" action on reopening vets life insurance, by voting not to bring it on the floor...It is the second year in a row that the Senate passed a reopening bill to have it die in committee in the House...Every year that goes by will make new insurance more expensive to vets who have less than the \$10,000 gov't insurance ceiling, or none at all, if it eventually is reopened... "Newsletter" suggests that the many veterans who are interested in the reopening had better start making a lot of noise to their Congressmen if they want the bill passed next year--or at all...Key to the situation appears to be to make more noise than the organized commercial insurance opposition to the bill...The vets are far more numerous, but apparently don't appreciate the power of their own voices...The insurance is valuable and well thought of in the highest circles...President Kennedy still carries his, but many vets with less money were forced to drop theirs after discharge, only to have Congress shut off renewal privileges without any advance warning in 1951... Suggestion: if you want it reopened, write your Representative every three weeks or so all winter and say so...Most Congressmen would have voted yes if the bill had come out, but it is now apparent that if it is ever going to get on the House floor it will need not only favor, but emphasis...Leave your Senators alone...They've passed the bill without qualm twice running.

Resistance to reopening veterans insurance in the House of Representatives was paralyzing legislative action on other important veterans legislation at presstime.

Core of the resistance centered in Rep. Olin E. Teague, (Tex.) chairman of the House Vets Affairs Committee...He recently advised the Senate Finance Committee that no bill passed by the Senate which includes a reopening of veterans life insurance would be acceptable to him.

The Senate, overwhelmingly in favor of the insurance reopening in spite of inaction

in the House, had taken to adding insurance reopening as an amendment to other vets bills passed by the House...This includes the House bill to increase compensation for war disabilities...Both issues were thus stymied at presstime...A personal feud was developing between Teague and Sen. Long (La.), chief insurance-reopening proponent in the Senate.

N.J. TAX "METHOD" CHANGE SOCKS VETS MILLIONS:

The state of New Jersey is on the last lap of reassessing all real and personal property for community tax purposes...The change is supposed to be a reform of assessment method, done administratively by the communities under court order. ... Citizens have been advised that it is not a general tax increase.

But it will cost the state's war veterans' tax increases which are difficult to calculate, but which are somewhere between \$5 million and \$20 million a year.

What has happened is that property assessments in most N.J. communities have stayed at the level of pre-WW2 values, but the state Supreme Court has ordered all communities to reassess at modern, inflated actual market values...Theoretically the reform would hit nobody with a real tax increase except those whose assessments were found to have been out of line with prevailing community assessment standards all along ...Communities will drop their tax rates under the new "inflation assessments," to collect the same amount of tax in the average case under the new system as they would have under the old.

But few New Jersey war veterans will escape an unlegislated tax increase under the new scheme of things...The state has failed to adjust the state war veterans' tax exemption to the new plan of valuation... To the degree that a war veteran's assessment is inflated, his veteran's exemption will be deflated.

Reason: Vets exemption is based on a flat \$500 of his assessment, which now becomes a much smaller part of his whole assessment

in most of the state's communities.

Example: A vet's house, previously assessed at \$4,000 is reassessed at \$20,000 ...If his community previously taxed at a rate of \$8 per \$100 to get \$320 in taxes from the property, it would now drop the rate to \$1.60 per \$100 to get the same \$320 from that property, with its new \$20,000 evaluation.

Under the old assessment, the vet was exempted from the tax on \$500 at \$8 per \$100, or \$40 of actual tax...But with the assessment raised to \$20,000 and the tax rate reduced to \$1.60 per \$100 in order to keep the tax "the same," the vet's exemption is only \$1.60 per \$100 on the same \$500...His exemption in actual tax in this example becomes \$8 instead of \$40, and he has a real tax increase of \$32 a year in an operation advertised by the state as being an adjustment of method, not a tax increase.

Queries by "Newsletter" fail to reveal any plans in the legislature so far to remedy the tax-increasing effect on New Jersey's 700,000-plus war veterans of the so-called assessment reform.

SOCIAL SECURITY RETIREMENT AT 62 NOW POSSIBLE FOR MEN:

In case you missed it in the newspapers, the Social Security Act was amended during the summer so that men could receive retirement benefits at age 62, instead of 65...For several years, women, but not men, enjoyed this privilege of getting SS retirement benefits at 62...What an individual can get by retiring at age 62 depends, of course, on his particular coverage and can be learned by a review at one's local Social Security office, or, in some rural areas, from traveling Social Security representatives at appointed times and places...The new amendment is embraced in Public Law 87-63...The law also slightly liberalizes how much you can earn and still get Social Security retirement benefits between ages 62 and 72 ...After 72, there's no earning restriction ...New formula is: You can earn up to \$1200 and get your normal Social Security retirement benefits...From \$1200 to \$1700, \$1 of Social Security will be withheld for each \$2 earned...Over \$1700 earned, \$1 will be withheld for \$1 earned.

DETROIT VETS ORGANIZATIONS AT ODDS WITH COMMUNITY FUND:

The United Foundation (community fund) of Detroit has withdrawn its financial support of the service work of veterans organizations...The Foundation told the

vets groups that the city's single community fund drive will not allocate funds for veterans' service work after the first of the year...Nor may contributors to Detroit's community fund specify that their gifts may go to veterans service work.

Vets organizations in Detroit have supported a single citywide fund drive for all charitable purposes since 1926...Then, as the Community Chest, the fund organization asked the vets groups to drop their own separate fund drives and join the single project...Since then, four vets organizations have supported the United Foundation and received allocations for vets' service from it...They are: United Spanish War Veterans, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans.

At a joint vets organization meeting last Aug. 14, the affected Detroit groups determined that the United Foundation action required them to initiate independent fund drives again.

The joint meeting called on donors to the United Foundation to reduce their gifts or payroll deductions by whatever amount they wished to give instead to service work for Detroit's war veterans and their families.

DEATH AND DISABILITY EN ROUTE HOME FROM DISCHARGE NOW SERVICE-CONNECTED:

A veteran who suffered death or disability while en route home from military separation, prior to 1957, may now be awarded service-connection under a new Act of Congress...The rule had already applied to discharges since 1957, and the new law backdates it...The rule acknowledges that normal travel home from separation is of military origin...It will make certain veterans and survivors eligible for service-connected benefits for the first time, in such cases...It does not apply automatically ...Cases that fit the ruling will be adjudged on the basis of new claims filed.

CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL WINNERS VOTED \$100 A MONTH AT 50:

The United States has increased the pension payable to Congressional Medal of Honor winners ten-fold--from \$10 a month to \$100 a month...At the same time it has lowered the CMH pension age by 15 years, from age 65 to age 50...Payment of the new \$100 pension is not automatic...CMH winners may receive it on application any time after age 50, under the new law--which was signed on Aug. 14 by President Kennedy.

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Legion Little World Series Won By Phoenix, Ariz. Team

An inspired and artful group of young baseball players from Phoenix, Ariz. won the 1961 American Legion Baseball "Little World" Series title at Hastings, Neb., the first part of September. The team was sponsored by the Frank Luke, Jr.-John C. Greenway American Legion Post 1 of that city.

It was the first American Legion Baseball National Championship for Phoenix.

It was not until the fourth game of the series that the new champs got the chance to show their stuff. They were pitted against the Billings, Mont. entry, the pre-tourney favorite. Phoenix won 5-3, breaking a 27-game win streak for the Billings team.

The champs lost their second game 5-3 to Cincinnati, Ohio for their only loss of the series.

In the 10th game of the series, Phoenix again met the Billings club and again emerged victorious with a 5-4 win. This eliminated Billings from the series.

For its third series win, Phoenix eliminated the Brooklawn, N.J. team from tournament play with a 4-3 victory in the 12th of the series games.

By the time the 14th game had rolled around, only the Phoenix and Cincinnati

entries were left, and Cincinnati was the only undefeated team in series play. But Phoenix won this game 2-0 in a thrilling battle for the first shutout of the series. It was also the only errorless game of the series.

The Labor Day final (and 15th game) saw Phoenix and Cincinnati again battling it out. This was the payoff game and they were playing for keeps. Each team has lost one game . . . to each other.

Cincinnati went into an early 1-0 lead in the second inning. From then on until the eighth inning both teams played scoreless ball.

Then in the Phoenix half of the 8th inning, the Arizona champs scored 2 runs on a single and two triples. They again scored 2 runs in the 9th inning on a walk, passed ball and a single to wrap up the game 4-1 . . . and the championship. Both teams had made 7 hits and 1 error in this final game.

The 1961 American Legion Baseball Player of the Year went to Jim Gerber, outstanding shortstop for the losing Cincinnati team. The award is given annually on the basis of good sportsmanship and general attitude.

The Legion Sportsmanship Award

went to Buckey Staley, leading pitcher for the Phoenix team. His record in the series was 2-0, and for the year, 12-0.

Ken McEwen, Omaha pitcher and outfielder, won the batting title for his .548 average in the series with 17 hits out of 31 times at bat.

This year's series—the 35th in Legion history since the first played in Philadelphia in 1926—received the benefit of perfect weather for the 15 games. Total attendance for the series was 26,140, a slight decrease from last year's figure of 29,000. Top game attendance was 3,522, for the 13th game of the series on Saturday evening, Sept. 2, between Omaha and Cincinnati.

The 1962 American Legion Little World Series will be played in Bismarck, N.D.

Big Preparations

But the excitement of the 8-team play-offs for the Legion championship was not the only excitement in Hastings in connection with the "Little World" Series.

The city had been preparing weeks in advance to host the event for the third consecutive year. It took a lot of pulling together for the residents of this town of 24,000 in order to secure their first Legion national baseball championship playoffs in 1959.

And then it took a lot of work since then to obtain the repeat performance in 1960 and again this year. This was the first time that any city had hosted



Buckey Staley, Phoenix pitcher, slides in to home plate to pick up the fifth and final run for his team against Billings, Mont. It was the first defeat (5-3) for Billings in 27 starts.



Cincinnati's Ron Pinsenschaum, is picked off 3rd base in game against Jackson, Miss. The Ohio team, series' runnerup, won game 11-3 with 20 hits, almost a Series single game record.

the series three consecutive years.

During the month of August, special caravans of people traveled more than 2,000 miles to advertise the series in Hastings. The barnstorming tour covered Nebraska and parts of Kansas.

Former major leaguer, Johnny Hopp, who onetime was a Legion ball player in Hastings in his early days, spread the baseball gospel for Hastings in various speeches and personal appearances at breakfasts, luncheons and dinners throughout the state.

Hastings business men spent thousands of dollars to promote the baseball affair . . . but believe that the money put into the event was well worth the effort and expense.

Items sold in promoting the series included window posters, roadside posters, baseball caps, glow bumper strips, wooden nickels, miniature wooden bats, large plastic bats, ribbons, aprons and matching headbands, vests, pennants, banners and ties.

Over 50,000 paper napkins imprinted with the baseball series message were used in local restaurants and carried across Nebraska by one of the commercial airlines operating in that state. The new Hastings telephone directory, as well as milk cartons, also carried the series advertisement. Local business firms used over 10,000 envelopes with the series emblem.

Top support for the series in Hastings even came from Nebraska's State Capitol building in Lincoln. Governor Frank B. Morrison issued a proclamation which set aside the period August 26-September 4, 1961 as American Legion Baseball Week In Nebraska.

On the distaff side of the series, Miss Barbara Goble, a 22-year-old Omaha school teacher was selected as Miss Legion World Series of 1961. She reigned over the entire tournament and at the Ford Motor Company banquet held the night before the series opener on August 26.

51 Top Teams

To get to Hastings, the eight finalists had to survive regional tourneys against the youthful champions of 51 American Legion Departments, including those of 49 states (Pennsylvania is not in the national American Legion Baseball program) plus The District of Columbia and the Panama Canal Zone.

Here are the Department champions that competed in the regional tourneys after surviving the competition of thousands of teams in their own areas. The first two listed in each case are the regional winner and runner-up.

Region 1:

Connecticut: Hayes Velhage Post 96, West Hartford.

New Hampshire: Henry J. Sweeney Post 2, Manchester.

Maine: Ralph D. Caldwell Post 129, Portland.

Massachusetts: Post 452, Chicopee Center.

Rhode Island: Post 2, West Warwick.

Vermont: Hartford Post 26, White River Junction.

Region 2:

New Jersey: Post 72, Brooklawn.

Maryland: Francis Scott Key Post 11, Frederick.

Delaware: Lawrence Roberts Post 21, Wilmington.

District of Columbia: Washington Gaslight Co. Post 44, Washington.

New York: Arthur Carmine Post 1367, Staten Island.

West Virginia: Fort Mullens Post 94, South Charleston.

Region 3:

Virginia: Post 284, Colonial Heights.

South Carolina: Thomas Raysor Summers Post 4, Orangeburg.

Alabama: Gen. Walter E. Bare Post 43, Birmingham.

Florida: Pan-American World Airways Post 140, Miami.

Georgia: Post 30, Albany.

North Carolina: Beaver-Pittman Post 115, Kannapolis.

Region 4:

Mississippi: Henry H. Graves Post 1, Jackson.

Arkansas: Marvin Watson Post 60, Walnut Ridge.

Louisiana: L. Barkdull Falk Post 13, Monroe.

Panama Canal Zone: Panama Canal Post 1, Balboa Heights.

Tennessee: Post 1, Memphis.

Texas: Arthur O. McNitzky Post 71, Denton.

Region 5:

Ohio: Edward C. Gehlert Post 554, Cincinnati.

Illinois: Post 145, Highland Park.

Indiana: Jenkins Post 254, Rockport.

Kentucky: James L. Yates Post 9, Owensboro.

Michigan: Buick Liberty Motor Post 310, Flint.

Missouri: Annheuser-Busch Inc. Post 299, St. Louis.

Region 6:

Nebraska: Post 1, Omaha.

Wisconsin: Westfield Post 48, Beloit.

Iowa: Hanford Post 5, Cedar Rapids.

Minnesota: Minneapolis Richfield Post 435, Minneapolis.

North Dakota: Lloyd Spetz Post 1, Bismarck.

South Dakota: Post 22, Rapid City.

Region 7:

Montana: Yellowstone Post 4, Billings.

Oklahoma: Havens-Cannon Post 24, Anadarko.

Colorado: Women's Metropolitan Post 206, Aurora.

Hawaii: Kau Tom Post 11, Honolulu.

Idaho: Lewis-Clark Post 13, Lewiston.

Kansas: Casper J. Middlekauf Post 173, Hays.

Wyoming: Floyd-Minch Post 44, Worland.

Region 8:

Arizona: Luke-Greenway Post 1, Phoenix.

Nevada: Mineral County Post 19, Hawthorne.

Alaska: Jack Henry Post 1, Anchorage.

California: Charles P. Rowe Post 30, Pomona.

New Mexico: Joe Quesenberry Post 10, Las Cruces.

Oregon: Umpqua Post 16, Roseburg.

Utah: Holliday Post 71, Salt Lake City.

Washington: Post 71, Richland.

Modern Stars

Long before he was a threat to Babe Ruth's homerun record, Yankee slugger Roger Maris was a Legion junior star for Gilbert C. Grafton Post, Fargo, N. Dak. In the two major league All-Star games last summer, 34 of the 50 top players in the first game, and 39 in the second game were onetime Legion ballplayers. Younger pros from Legion ranks are counted on to be tomorrow's regulars by the majors — such as the young pitcher, Al Downing, called up by the Yankees in midsummer, who got his start with Post 93, Trenton, N.J., and Brian Dye, former player for Post 70, Wadsworth, Ohio, signed by the Athletics for a \$28,000 bonus in July.

A few months after the 1960 series, Dave McNally, ace pitcher of last year's Billings, Montana team (sponsored by American Legion Yellowstone Post 4) was signed up by the Baltimore Orioles for a reported bonus in excess of \$100,000, the second highest ever paid by the Orioles. The Billings team was the runnerup in the 1960 series and was favored to win this year. They were eliminated in their first two games.

Here are the former Legion ballplayers who made major league All-Star rosters last summer:

National League — *Cardinals*, Bill White, Stan Musial; *Braves*, Frank Bolling, Eddie Matthews, Warren Spahn; *Dodgers*, Maury Wills, Don Drysdale, John Roseboro; *Pirates*, Smoky Burgess, Roy Face, Dick Stuart; *Giants*, Mike McCormick, Ed Bailey, Stu Miller; *Reds*, Joey Jay, Bob Purkey, Ed Kasko, Frank Robinson; *Phillies*, Art Mahaffey;

Cubs, Don Zimmer — 20 players.

American League — *Yankees*, Roger Maris, Bill Skowron, Tony Kubek, Yogi Berra; *Indians*, Johnny Temple, Don Romano, Barry Latman; *Orioles*, Brooks Robinson, Hoyt Wilhelm, Jackie Brandt, Jim Gentile; *Tigers*, Frank Lary, Jim Bunning, Al Kaline; *White Sox*, Roy Sievers, Billy Pierce; *Senators*, Dick Donovan; *Twins*, Harmon Killebrew; *Athletics*, Dick Howser — 19 players.

A.L. Baseball Night

On August 26, the Washington Senators inaugurated the first annual American Legion Baseball night, as a salute to The American Legion for its important contribution to the national pastime via its baseball program.

Annually, over 20,000 teams — representing some 400,000 boys — play American Legion baseball. The goal? . . . the American Legion "Little World" Series . . . and fame!

BRIEFLY NOTED:

● Four American Legion Posts have been cited by the National Recreation Association for outstanding service to recreation in local communities. Honored were: Post 193, Louisville, Ky., Post 39, Roebing, N. J., Post 42, Evanston, Ill., and Post 24, Aberdeen, S. Dak.

● The Fifth Uniformed Groups Congress, an extensive workshop covering all facets of American Legion pageantry, will be held under the auspices of The American Legion Nat'l Hdqs, Oct. 21-22, 1961.

● By Aug. 23, 1961, the Sons of The American Legion membership had already exceeded its 1960 official enrollment of 13,766, with a figure of 13,837, or 100.52 percent of the 1960 total.

● The best all-around publication for 1960-61 in the annual competition of The American Legion Press Association was *The Oregon Legionnaire*, official publication of the Oregon American Legion, edited by R. Harold Schillios. Second place honors went to *The Minnesota Legionnaire* edited by Stephen Steele. The *Ohio Legion News* edited by M. M. "Boots" Carothers won third place honors.

● The Mississippi American Legion annually has a Past Department Commanders' Luncheon at its Department Convention to honor and inspire a continued interest in the former leaders of The American Legion in that state.

● Three Boy Scouts of American Legion sponsored troops were recently presented honor awards for exceptional heroism by the National Court of Honor of the Boy Scouts of America. They

were: Michael Hayden, Pack 65, sponsored by Green-Chobot Post 52, Coventry-Mansfield, Conn.; Trig Culp, Troop 50, sponsored by Post 143, Twisp, Wash.; and Richard Krum, Troop 121, sponsored by Knox-Helms Post 554, Morley, Mich.

● Ten \$1,000 Tuberculosis Nursing Scholarship awards have been approved by the Eight and Forty, an organization of American Legion Auxiliary members, to assist nurses in furthering their education. This is the fifth year the Eight and Forty has awarded scholarships to help eliminate personnel shortages in this important area of nursing.

● The 41st observance of American Education Week, sponsored by The American Legion since 1921, will be held Nov. 5-11, 1961.

NAT'L DEFENSE:

Binary Battlefield

The War of the Machines is now raging in New Jersey. At Picatinny Arsenal, near Dover, N. J., a set of computers is being fed a steady stream of figures which represent the firing of various weapons and projectiles in battle situations.

The computers get all the "facts" of

the battle situation that the operators can think up, wind, weather, terrain, troop dispositions; the sighting and timing of weapons fire, and the characteristics of the weapons and ammunition used.

The computers then spit forth the results that that ammunition fired from that weapon in that manner would have produced on that enemy disposition, on that terrain, in that weather.

The Army Ordnance Special Weapons-Ammunition Command gives a single ammunition item as many as 1,000 tactical-situation "tests" in this manner—which is no great strain on the IBM 709/1401 computer system that does the figuring. It can handle 42,000 additions or subtractions a second, and turn out written reports at 600 lines per minute. Arsenal workers call the Picatinny computer room the "binary battlefield," in honor of the binary system of numbers that computers use in place of the common decimal system.

Apparently a day's "fighting" on the binary battlefield at Picatinny can tell as much about the practical use of a given ordnance item as many years of field maneuvers. Provided, we would add, that the operators anticipate all the weird things that any GI would tell you will crop up in the field. Anybody got a machine that'll do that?



WHERE BATTLES RAGE. Army Ordnance computer room at Picatinny Arsenal. (See story.)

ECONOMIC:

Jobs For Disabled

"National Employ The Physically Handicapped Week" (NEPH) will be observed this year Oct. 2-8, 1961.

At the 41st annual national convention of The American Legion held in the Twin Cities of Minneapolis-St. Paul, a resolution was passed that the (Legion's) Nat'l Economic Commission continue its activities in support of the President's NEPH Committee and that the Legion at department level exert special effort in support of the Governors' Committees and local committees in such programs as may be conducted throughout the year, especially the annual ob-

servance of NEPH Week and the statewide Essay Poster Contests.

During this period The American Legion will make its national authorized citation to the outstanding employer of each American Legion Department who has done the best job in employing physically handicapped persons, especially veterans.

Applications for citations should be sent to the National Employment Committee, The American Legion, 1608 K St., N.W., Washington 6, D.C., with the name and address of the employer and a brief summary which proposes to earn him this award.

The experience of past years has proven that handicapped employees

POSTS IN ACTION

Items from our 16,753 posts: Those of most general interest and widest geographical spread are selected, with apologies for the hundreds of others that are so kindly reported to the editors.

Old Sponsors—Post 17, Collingswood, N. J., has sponsored a 50-year old Boy Scout Troop continuously for 35 years (since 1926).

Civic Night—Post 127, Glendale, Calif., annually sponsors a Glendale Civic Night for all of the officials and employees of the City of Glendale in appreciation for their continued cooperation to the post.

Refreshing Water—Post 399, Dresden, Ohio, sponsored and dedicated a new community swimming pool—the only one in the area. The \$35,000 pool was financed by the sale of \$100 interest-bearing bonds—\$10,000 of which were purchased by post members.

Brother Hero—Post 95, Delevan, Wisc., awarded The American Legion Heroism Medal to 14-year old Terry Wilson of that city whose quick thinking saved the life of his 6-year old brother who was drowning in nearby Mill Pond.

CD Team—Post 210, Waupun, Wisc., has had an organized civil defense team in operation since WW2 days. Reorganized in 1955 under the State Civil Defense laws, the team of post members have since donated over 200 hours of their time to various types of civil defense training measures and programs.

Bedside Network—Post 209, New York, N. Y., furnishes car drivers four nights a week for the teams of some 400 advertising men, actors, writers, directors, engineers, and musicians who volunteer their services to aid in the rehabilitation of hospitalized veterans. The volunteers are all members of the Veterans Hospital Radio and Television Guild, popularly known as the "Bedside Network."

Tribal Dance—Post 86, Ethete, Wyo., (a post on the Wind River Indian Reservation whose members belong to the Arapahoe and Shoshone Tribes) for a number of years has sponsored an annual major community event for the surrounding area known as the Legion Indian Dance. Dressed in colorful tribal costumes, the members dance to the traditional beat of old war dances. Many other tribes, some traveling great distances, now participate in the event. The post, organized 12 years ago, also has an active Auxiliary Unit.

measure up very favorably in regard to trainability, observing company rules, safe behavior on the job, attendance, productivity, and labor turnover.

Through the Legion's efforts, employers can be continually educated in the advantages of hiring the handicapped. Many Departments continue to participate each year in this worthwhile program which helps to overcome discrimination in employment due to physical disabilities.

EDUCATION:

Legion School Aid

Perhaps one of the most informative guides to career planning and scholarship sources published in the United States today is that guide "Need A Lift?" published annually by The American Legion's Education and Scholarship Division.

The 11th edition of the 84-page handbook has just been released to American Legion posts throughout the country for further distribution to high schools and public libraries in each community. Sample news releases have also been distributed to the posts so that information concerning the booklet may reach the citizenry through press, radio and television.

With the cooperation of 176 national organizations interested in providing career and scholarship information to counselors, parents and students, the 1961 edition of the guide also contains a summary of State Laws which offer

educational benefits as well as most national organization programs providing scholarships for students to further their education. The scholarship information relates not only to the children of veterans but for all children interested in planning for education beyond high school.

In his book "How to Be Accepted by the College of Your Choice," Dr. Benjamin Fine, noted education writer, calls the guide "a superb compilation." Says Dr. Fine, "I know of no better place to begin investigating (college) financial aids."

Copies of the guide may be obtained from: Education and Scholarship Program, The American Legion, National Americanism Commission, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis 6, Ind. The price—fifteen cents per copy (includes printing and postage costs) or seven copies for a dollar.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS:

Jerome F. Duggan, St. Louis, Mo., chmn of the Legion's Nat'l Legislative Commission, unanimously elected honorary Past Dep't Cmdr of the Missouri American Legion at the Department's convention in July.

Arthur J. Connell, past Nat'l Cmdr of The American Legion (1953-54), re-elected chmn of the Connecticut Veterans Home and Hospital Commission. He has held this position since 1955.

W. C. "Dan" Daniel, past Nat'l Cmdr of The American Legion (1956-57), named chmn of the new statewide Nat'l



CAN YOU LIVE IN A FALLOUT SHELTER? The Ed Chaney family lived in one 9 days during the recent Mid-South Fair in Memphis. Chaney, a Korea Marine vet, and his wife and children here inspect the shelter before moving in. It was a Civil Defense project of Chaney's Memphis Post 1, American Legion. Showing the family its "home" are Memphis CD chief J. F. Somers (left) and Legion Post CD Chairman Mack Jester.

Security Council of Virginia. The Council has been set up to increase the public's awareness of and participation in nat'l security.

Charles J. Arnold, Arlington, Va., recently retired U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel, appointed Nat'l Director of Public Relations of The American Legion by Nat'l Cmdr Burke. Just prior to his new appointment, Arnold was Director of Information, Office of Army Reserve and ROTC Affairs, in the Pentagon.

Warren H. MacDonald, Bethesda, Md., appointed director of the Legion's Nat'l Research Division in Washington, D.C. by Nat'l Cmdr Burke. MacDonald, who has been an employee of The American Legion since Oct. 1945, was ass't director of the Nat'l Rehabilitation Division prior to his new appointment.

Died:

Edward E. Goodwyn, past Dep't Cmdr (1922-23) and Nat'l Executive Committeeman (1923-25) of the Virginia American Legion; recently.

Irving R. "Bob" Snyder, vice chmn of the Legion's Department and Post Memberships Activities Committee since 1949 and a past Dep't Cmdr of the California American Legion (1945-46); on Aug. 7, in Tujunga, Calif.

William C. Rathke, past Dep't Cmdr

of the Iowa American Legion (1934-35); on May 23. He was also vice chmn of the Legion's Nat'l Inter-American Committee (1952-54) and had served on the Nat'l Veterans Preference, Law and Order, and Distinguished Guests Committees.

John O. Williams, elected Dep't Cmdr (posthumously at the department convention July 1, 1961) of the South Carolina American Legion; recently.

Ed Vielman, well known Minnesota Legionnaire and public speaker and former public relations chmn of the Minnesota American Legion; on Aug. 14, in Rochester, Minn. Vielman will be remembered by many Legionnaires as the principal speaker in a film put out by the Department and Post Membership Activities Committee some years ago.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS:

The citation of an individual Legionnaire to life membership in his Post is a testimonial by those who know him best that he has served The American Legion well.

Post Commanders or Adjutants are asked to report life membership awards to "Life Memberships," The American Legion Magazine, 720 5th Ave., New York, N.Y. Post number, location and date of award is requested in all cases.

Receipt of names cannot be acknowledged.

Life Memberships in Maryland, Ohio and West Virginia are only accepted if received via the Department Adjutant, in conformity with state Legion policy.

Below are listed some of the previously unpublished life memberships that have been reported to the editors. They are arranged by States.

Ovilla F. Perrin (1956), Post 120, Bell, Calif.
Curtis J. Hyans and **Albert E. Scott** and **Harry H. Stafford** (all 1961), Post 352, Los Angeles, Calif.

Chester M. Cotton and **John E. Wentworth** (both 1960), Post 482, Ojai, Calif.

Edward D. Warrek, Sr. (1961), Post 11, Bridgeport, Conn.

Austin Phillips (1961), Post 17, Naugatuck, Conn.

John F. Coughlin (1961), Post 104, Pinellas Park, Fla.

Cletus L. Matthews (1961), Post 636, Hardin, Ill.

Ralph E. Klare and **Harry L. Ridgeway** (both 1961), Post 55, Indianapolis, Ind.

Russell L. Hester (1953) and **Harry Wolf** (1956) and **Gerald N. Fuller** (1958), Post 72, Crawfordsville, Ind.

Henry A. Hansen (1961), Post 145, Highland Park, Ill.

Rod Beamgard (1961), Post 46, Atwood, Kans.

Wallace C. Dunbar and **Wilton H. Morrison** (both 1961), Post 115, Stoneham, Mass.

Carl F. Virchow and **Elmer A. Young** (both 1959), Post 225, Wrentham, Mass.

Frank Spaford and **Edward Steele, Sr.** and **Carl Schaible** (all 1960), Post 117, Manchester, Mich.

L. A. Marks, Sr. (1961), Post 28, Clarksdale, Miss.

Glen F. McNabb (1961), Post 249, Lucerne, Mo.

Edwin Johnson and **Harold McCullough** and **Harry Rockmaker** and **Dr. Francis Strochoefer** (all 1960), Post 19, Bayonne, N.J.

Clarence J. Herman (1959) and **Samuel L. Glickman** (1960), Post 186, Hammonton, N.J.

David Blauvelt and **Harry Condon** and **Peter Cravello** and **William Dempsey** (all 1961), Post 199, Hawthorne, N.J.

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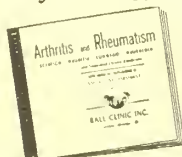
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John F. Lafferty (1959) and Robert C. McAnallen (1960) and Alex R. Willy (1961), Post 372, Haddonfield, N.J.

Michael Paladino (1961), Post 419, Jersey City, N.J.

Edward K. Anderson, Jr. (1961), Post 44, Malverne, N.Y.

Harry Reilly and Fred Wagner (both 1960) and Anthony J. Minei (1961), Post 272, Rockaway Beach, N.Y.

Sylvester O'Haire and Henry Vincent (both 1954) and Roger Frenya (1955), Post 326, Lake Placid, N.Y.

Augustus Scott Lee and Albert Leskowitz and Herman L. Lutz and Sam Ocean (all 1961), Post 543, New York, N.Y.

William J. Costigan (1961), Post 886, Woodside, N.Y.

Everett V. Silvestro (1961), Post 907, Candor, N.Y.

Thomas W. Smith (1959), Post 1058, West Winfield, N.Y.

Cuthbert J. Behan (1961), Post 1059, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Charles Mefford (1961), Post 1792, Scottsburg, N.Y.

Carl S. Andrew and E. R. Lancaster (both 1961), Post 129, Stillwater, Okla.

Charles Ray and Lawrence Scharffenberg and Glenn Simmons and Robert Sipe (all 1960), Post 10, Albany, Oreg.

Fred A. Houdensheld, Jr. (1958) and C. Russell Welsh, Jr. (1959), Post 27, Harrisburg, Pa.

Gus Hantzes and Raymond Heckman and Robert Jones and Carl Kozloskie (all 1960), Post 544, Minersville, Pa.

Artyur A. Vengels (1961), Post 738, Philadelphia, Pa.

Ramon R. Guas (1961), Post 1, San Juan, P.R.

James L. Carter (1961), Post 6, Columbia, S.C.

HOME STUDY:

Learn By Mail

Since WW2 some 53,000 veterans have participated in The American Legion Extension Institute — a correspondence course for Legion leaders.

The deadline date for enrollment in this year's course — the sixteenth of its kind — is Nov. 1, 1961.

Open to all members of The American Legion or The American Legion Auxiliary, the course is tailor-made for newly elected and appointed officers.

Today the Legion is dependent upon a new generation for leadership who must come to know and understand The American Legion — its history, its structure, its programs and its achievements.

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Tuition fees for the course have been set as follows: 1-4 enrollments — \$6.00 each; 5-9 enrollments — \$4.00 each; 10 or more enrollments — \$3.00 each.

Remittances should be made payable to the National Treasurer of The American Legion and mailed to: The American Legion Extension Institute, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis 6, Ind.

NAVAL HISTORY:

Slaughter Off Savo

In the dark early hours of Aug. 9, 1942, the U.S. Navy took its first surface action licking in history, at the end of the second day of the landings on Guadalcanal, in the Solomon Islands. It was the Battle of Savo Island, in which Japanese Rear Admiral Gunichi Mikawa's cruiser force caught our flotilla with its pants down.

Few if any U.S. military experiences rank with the Savo disaster in its combination of fantastic complications, prejudices played to, Allied unreadiness in the midst of a perilous operation, and lessons quickly learned.

Mikawa steamed unobserved, with a strong, fast force at night, through our destroyer pickets, into the middle of the Allied disposition. He lit up the scene unchallenged, at short range, sank one Australian and three U.S. heavy cruisers (HMAS Canberra and USS Quincy,



SAVO ISLAND and Ironbottom Sound — so named for the mass of ships sunk there. U.S. destroyers on WW2 patrol maneuver in tribute to dead below. U.S. Navy official foto.

Astoria, Vincennes), badly damaged another (USS Chicago), crippled two destroyers (USS Ralph Talbot, Patterson), killed and wounded nearly 2,000 U.S. and Australian naval personnel — and steamed away almost unscratched.

So complete was the surprise that when gunnery officer LCDR William Truesdell, on the doomed USS Astoria, fired a hasty salvo on his own initiative at the looming foe seconds before his ship was raked to its death, his commanding officer demanded to know who was shooting at what on whose authority.

The scope of the disaster revealed by the dawn put the U.S. Navy to the shame of withdrawing from the beachhead with the transports, leaving 16,000 Marines on Guadalcanal and Tulagi to battle the Jap Army ashore, with only a fraction of their supplies, short some of their manpower, without naval protection, air cover, or a supply line.

So fantastic was every aspect of the naval battle — both Mikawa's good fortune and the paralysis in detail of our fleet — that it is a wonder that Richard F. Newcomb has been able to squeeze a scrupulous account of it into 253 pages of his new book — *SAVO* — just off the presses. (Newcomb, also the author of *Abandon Ship!*, the story of the sinking of the USS Indianapolis, has expressed

his thanks to readers of this magazine for their personal accounts of both the USS Indianapolis and the Savo disasters which they gave him in response to requests in our *Veterans Newsletter*).

Only sketchy accounts of the Savo battle were released during WW2, when it was news. Of the several histories and "explanations" published since, Newcomb's is the most exhaustive and detailed.

Savo deserves a large place in the history of WW2. Its bitter lesson influenced our naval tactics during the rest of the war in the Pacific. After the rewarding aggressiveness of the carriers at Midway — against this same Mikawa — the Navy at Guadalcanal fell into purely defensive postures, and substituted assumptions for alertness. Mikawa promptly made a tragic farce of them.

But in our darkest hour we learned more from Mikawa than his own fleet did. The Savo debacle directly catapulted Halsey — for his boldness — to fleet command again. Throughout the Navy it put a premium on alert aggressiveness that paid off in more decisive engagements later. Two years later, the US 7th Fleet gave Japan its own Savo, with interest, as it covered the Leyte beachhead in different style. The men we lost off Savo Island in 1942 had their part in the final victory in 1945, for we

learned from their loss what we must do. Newcomb's account spells out that painful experience in vivid detail.

SAVO: The Incredible Naval Debacle off Guadalcanal. By Richard F. Newcomb. 253 pp. \$4.95. Sept. 29, 1961. Holt, Rinehart and Winston, Inc., 383 Madison Ave., New York 17, N.Y.

CHILD WELFARE:

8 Million Dollars Worth

It's a lot of money, 8 million dollars, but that's what The American Legion and its subsidiary organizations, The American Legion Auxiliary and the Eight and Forty, spent for child welfare and youth activities during the year ending May 31, 1961.

Actually the exact grand total amounts to \$7,778,715.61, which is 11 per cent or approximately \$800,000 more than had been spent during the preceding 12-month period.

Of the grand total figure, The American Legion expended \$5,378,782.44, The American Legion Auxiliary — \$2,157,106.71, and the Eight and Forty — \$242,826.46.

The 1961 report was presented to the 43rd National Convention of The American Legion Sept. 9-14, in Denver, Colo. It was the result of the compilation of figures received from 7,325 or

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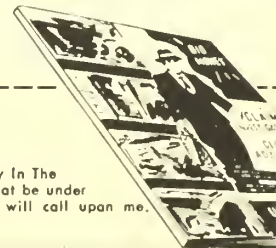
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44 per cent of all American Legion posts; 10,781 or 82 per cent of all American Legion Auxiliary units; and 41 Department-aux of the Eight and Forty.

Had all of the Legion's some 16,750 posts reported the amount of their expenditures for child welfare and youth activities for the same period, the total figure could very well be several millions of dollars.

Since 1925, when the Legion first started reporting child welfare and youth activities expenses, more than \$171,000,000 has been spent on these programs.

"Dollars and cents is the only tangible and immediate device available to measure the level of activity of the Legion's Child Welfare program," said National Child Welfare Director Randel Shlake. "Unfortunately we are unable to measure in figures the many intangible accomplishments of the program which in time will prove to be of even greater value than dollars spent," he added.

NATIONAL DEFENSE:

Anchor's Aweigh

Legionnaires and their friends who have 17 thru 20-year old sons yearning for a pair of sea legs now have the opportunity to help the boys to start acquiring them.

Eligible high school seniors and graduates are invited to apply for the competitive examination for the Regular

Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) for entry into the program in the fall of 1962.

The NROTC supplements the U.S. Naval Academy by training and educating selected candidates at 52 colleges and universities for careers as officers in the Regular Navy and Marine Corps.

NROTC graduates receive the same promotional opportunities and duty assignments in the Navy of today and tomorrow as their Naval Academy contemporaries.

For those selected and enrolled in the Regular NROTC program, all tuition, fees and books are furnished by the Department of the Navy in addition to an annual retainer of \$600 for not more than four years. In the summers, NROTC Mid-shipmen go on interesting training cruises with liberty in foreign ports.

High school seniors and graduates who have reached the 17th anniversary of birth and have not reached the 21st anniversary of birth on July 1, 1962 may apply for the NROTC qualifying examination.

Those who attain a qualifying score will be scheduled to report to U.S. Navy Recruiting Stations for physical examination, interviews and preparation of formal applications.

Young men who meet the basic eligibility requirements and are sincerely interested in a career in the Regular Navy or Marine Corps should apply as soon as possible.

Application forms are available at high schools, Navy Recruiting offices or from the Chief of Naval Personnel, Department of the Navy, Washington 25, D.C.

The applications must be mailed by November 17, 1961 for participation in the qualifying examination to be administered on December 9, 1961.

MUSIC DEPT:

Loud & Compelling

A lively and compelling new arrangement for bands and bugle corps is the "Physical Fitness March." It's an arrangement by Meredith Willson that leads into his "76 Trombones." Willson composed the new march in connection with Warner Brothers' filming of *The Music Man*, the smash musical in which "76 Trombones" made its bow. Supporters of the President's national physical fitness program are so fond of Willson's "Physical Fitness March" that some of them have adopted it as their theme. If your post sponsors a band or a d&b corps, your theater manager might arrange for your outfit to give the new march a blast in public as part of the hoopla of the showing of Warner's *The Music Man* in your town.

COMRADES IN DISTRESS

Readers who can help these comrades are urged to do so.

Notices are run at the request of The American Legion Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission. They are not accepted from other sources.

Readers wanting Leg'on help with claims should contact their local service officers.

Service officers unable to locate needed witnesses for claims development should refer the matter to the Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission through normal channels, for further search before referral to this column.

Army

16th Inf, Co F, 1st Div—Ubaldo L. Ezrre. This veteran wishes to hear from former members of the above named outfit who can help him contact a Sgt. Edward Taylor. Write Ezrre at: Cedar Park Apt. H-5, Juncal, Alaska. Claim for service connected disability pending.

79th Inf Div—Mike Wolenski. This veteran hit by shrapnel in the abdomen during an engagement with enemy troops in the hedgerows just outside Cherbourg, France in July 1944. Two sergeants named Shank and Sacks from Chicago and Ohio were present at the time of this veteran's injury. Sgt. Sacks was also wounded at the same time. Anyone who knows of the whereabouts of either Shank or Sacks, please contact Wolenski at: Department of Athletics, University of Omaha, Omaha, Nebr. Claim pending.

175th Inf Regt—John H. Knowles. In Dec. 1944 just before the battle of the Bulge while driving a truck between Paris, France and a town in Belgium, this veteran was injured with five other soldiers when the truck ran over a land mine. He was flown to a hospital in England and then brought back to Paris. The company commander in April 1944 was a Captain May. Any person or persons knowing of this veteran's injury caused by the above accident, please contact E. W. Sauer, Baker County Service Officer, 601 Auburn Ave., Baker, Ore. Claim pending.

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ASSETS

Cash on hand and on deposit	\$ 324,461.23
Receivables	224,307.89
Inventories	542,145.87
Invested Funds	1,009,223.40
Trust Funds:	
Overseas Graves Decoration	
Trust Funds	\$ 263,337.70
Employees Retirement	
Trust Fund	3,163,876.20
Real Estate	811,343.15
Furniture & Fixtures	
Less Depreciation	240,584.12
Deferred Charges	115,430.42
	<u>\$6,694,709.98</u>

LIABILITIES, DEFERRED REVENUE AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities	\$ 365,409.62
Funds Restricted as to use	33,992.15
Deferred Income	1,201,176.25
Trust Funds:	
Overseas Graves Decoration	
Trust Funds	\$ 263,337.70
Employees Retirement	
Trust Fund	3,163,876.20
Net Worth:	
Reserve Fund	\$ 24,185.11
Restricted Fund	21,466.79
Real Estate	811,343.15
Reserve for Rehabilitation	444,675.21
Reserve for Child Welfare	45,975.31
Reserve for Convention	60,000.00
	<u>\$1,407,645.57</u>
Unrestricted Capital	259,272.49
	<u>1,666,918.06</u>
	<u>\$8,694,709.98</u>

When sound recording and reproduction went "electric," records not only sounded better, but were easier to make. No longer was it necessary to bunch the performers around a horn. Microphones could be placed anywhere, and many of the previous limitations regarding the scope of recordable material magically vanished. Especially benefited and improved was the recording of events outside the studio. The coming of the tape recorder removed the rest of the bonds, and the record makers now could go anywhere and record anything. Present day record catalogs such as Schwann's must be issued on a monthly basis in order to keep up with the flood of new material, some of it from faraway places. Many contributions come from traveling recordists who frequent the places where Mr. Average Man himself would like to be, if there is something going on. The capitals of the world, musical and otherwise, famous sporting places, etc., are favorite stamping grounds of the men with recording equipment.

A particularly striking example of "location" recording is found in a Colpix disc in which the listener travels in the submarine *Nautilus* to the North Pole. There is an entire category of auto

racing and sports car events. The lure of the track has been almost irresistible since the very beginnings of the auto age. Even if men don't dream, Mitty-like, of driving in the great races of the world, a great many long to be there, as spectators, when they're run off. One company, Riverside Records, has produced 35 different records, the total sale of which is shooting rapidly past the half million mark. They say that the dedicated racing and sports car fans can actually tell the number of cylinders a motor has from its sound when the car flashes by. The truly knowledgeable, it is said, can tell what gears are being used when the shifts occur.

For airplane and jet enthusiasts, and for railroad buffs, records are available to bring all the thrills of their characteristics sounds, right into the living room. With the volume turned up, some of these records (notably those produced by Cook Records) can reduce a sensitive listener to quivering jelly. For the ardent sound-for-its-own sake fancier, a new series of fantastically accurate "sound-effects" records has just been released by Audio Fidelity, the outfit that brought the first modern stereo record to market. Such records are perfect for those who love to show off their

equipment. In addition there are "Airplane Instruction" (Aero 1, 2, 3) records for the serious student who wants to learn how to get into the wide blue yonder.

The scope of recorded instruction in the old days was rather limited, but today the hunger of the public for information on nearly all subjects, combined with its willingness to pay for easily assimilated, *conveniently* packaged knowledge, has sparked a whole series of "How to—" "Hear how—" and similar records. Hardly any field is left uncovered, from folksinging, guitar playing, and concertizing, to reducing, investing, baby-raising, dancing (three dozen varieties), card playing, house and garden pursuits, golf and even skiing. (No, you don't have to slide down a practice slope toting your portable phonograph with this one—"How to Ski" (Libraphone x 116).) The following is a small sampling of the offerings in this "how to" field — "Golf Album" (GA33-332), "Ballet Instruction" (Artia 110), "Bowl Your Best" (Epic LB2700), Good Housekeeping's "Sporting Way for Reducing" (Harmony 11009), "How to Plan a Perfect Dinner Party" (Carlton HH 14), "Sophisticated Investor" (ABC EX 1000), Sports Afield's "Bass and

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Trout Fishing" (Sports-in-Sound LE 904). Incidentally, a *different* kind of record is "Chinese Health Exercises" (Colpix 413). Special "participation" records are available which permit you to play or sing along with a musical group—one instrument or voice part is left out for you to fill in. In addition there are play-a-part records in which you play opposite famous actors and actresses; scripts are provided of course.

It should be pointed out that records, like books and home movies, need not always be purchased. Many local libraries and other agencies lend them without charge or rent them for a nominal fee. Some record dealers maintain a renting service, and often transactions can be handled by mail. One large mail-order rental agency is Libraphone, Inc., Long Branch, N. J., who deserve mention because of the extensive coverage of their catalog.

Language instruction, via records, has been with us a long time. The "Cheaper By the Dozen" man, Mr. Gilbreth, exposed his 12 children to the sounds of foreign languages each morning while they were washing their teeth, way back in 1912 or thereabouts. He used records, of course. Nowadays language instruction is available in variety, not only for English-speaking people but also for the foreign born who wish to master our tongue. Special, low-cost language courses are available now in a new record form. A thin, highly flexible plastic material is used, and the records are loosely bound together, like the pages of a book (Modern Language Project of Boston).

The same idea is used in the publishing of a new magazine called *Echo*. Each issue contains five records. These usually cover a famous news event, a scintillating talk, an on-the-scene sports affair and the dramatization of an excerpt from a best-selling book. There is no telling how far the use of this kind of recording will extend, for the records are cheap, light, and easy to mail. One company, the Americom Corporation, produces these records at pennies apiece, in quantity, which makes it possible for them to be used in advertising or as inserts in the pages of an ordinary magazine.

Conventional records will, of course, continue to occupy the center of the stage for most people. They are sturdy, virtually unbreakable, easily stored and, as made today, capable of almost flawless reproduction. Besides, measured in terms of content, they're getting cheaper all the time. For instance, 20 years ago a minute of classical music cost about 50 cents; today, it's 10 cents or less.

A further interesting comparison of costs occurs in the telling of the story of the Alamo. You will remember that this is the story of the famous 13-day

battle in the old mission, where 185 men desperately fought a well-equipped Mexican army of 7,000. John Wayne's motion picture, in which he plays Davy Crockett, runs for 3½ hours and cost \$12 million. A 45-minute recording, narrated by Claude Rains, was produced for \$3,000: "Remember the Alamo" (Noble NOM 102). They are two different media, of course, but the record tells the story well.

"Spaking" records were always available in variety even when recording facilities were extremely limited. But the old 4-minute record was itself, perhaps, the greatest stumbling block in the way of progress in this area. Now, with today's 25-minute LP side, even the most ambitious projects are being handled with ease. Complete plays, dramatizations with sound effects, speeches, debates and lectures, as well the technically simpler poetry and prose readings—these are all grist for the LP mill. Incidentally, the Caedmon Record people deserve a special commendation for the job they have done in bringing even the shyest and most elusive of authors to the microphone to read from their own works. Something rather special is added to a favorite poem or prose piece when you hear the author himself read it.

Getting back to plays, it must be admitted that listening to a dramatic work is hardly to be compared with spending an evening in the theatre. Still, records provide a good way to extend your knowledge of fine plays. It is doubtful whether record companies make much money offering recorded plays, and all too many plays are not available on discs. Among those that are obtainable are such good things as "J.B." by MacLeish (Victor LDS6075), "Don Juan in Hell" (Columbia OSL 166), Miller's "Death of a Salesman" (Decca DX 102), and "Murder in the Cathedral," performed by the Old Vic Players (Angel 3505B). These are complete plays. In the old days dramatic records consisted merely of the skimpiest excerpts.

Another kind of subject that the old 4-minute record couldn't handle adequately was material from good books. Nowadays all the classics are well represented, and it is a particular pleasure to hear them in this form. Many people feel that they get more out of listening to a skillfully told story than they do when they have to read it themselves. Elderly people, whose failing sight and lessening patience make reading a chore, especially appreciate this type of record. The best known book of all, The Bible, is a steady favorite with all ages. Famous Bible stories are available in many recorded forms, from simple readings to complete dramatizations with full casts and sound effects. A good example of this latter type is contained in the offer-

ings of the Library of Sound Education. Leif Erickson heads a large cast in presenting the best-loved stories of the Old Testament.

One reason for the growth in popularity of records such as these is a reaction to certain aspects of television. Much TV viewing is not as productive of good as it should be, and the wise parent seeks to interest his child in more wholesome pursuits. Records provide one answer. The fare is quite varied and always wholesome. Nearly every category is covered: song and story, dramatics, music, painting, *Junior* language courses, folk tales of faraway countries, even fairy tales in foreign languages. All the favorite stories are available, such as "Johnny Appleseed," "Little Women," Andersen's "Fairy Tales," "Alice in Wonderland," "Pinocchio," "Gulliver's Travels," "Huckleberry Finn," etc. Especially interesting instructive records are "Let's Look at Great Paintings" (Cabot 4024), which comes with a book of color reproductions, "Child's Introduction to the Orchestra" (Golden 1), "Magic of Music" (Cabot 4022), and "Conduct Your Own Orchestra" (Golden 47), which comes packaged with a real baton. "Let's Put On a Play" (Libraphone J228) is a delightful potage of four scripts and comes with complete instructions for costuming and staging. There are also a great many records containing and identifying the sounds of animals (domestic and zoo), birds, insects, and even sea animals.

Many records of animal and outdoor sounds are designed for adult ears too. Cornell University issues a continuing series of nature sound records. Try "Dawn in a Duck Blind" for a touch of the real outdoors. This is now being sold in many stores dealing in firearms, as an aid to hunters.

Professional lecturing also has taken on a new dimension, thanks to records. In the old days the seeker after knowledge had to hie himself out, often on a bitter night, to listen in some draughty hall. Now he can listen to world famous authorities in the slippered comfort of his own home, via records. Many of today's best known speakers, whether philosophers, educators, scientists or just educated humorists, offer choice items from their repertory. Noteworthy: Ritchie Calder, "Science in Our Lives" (Folkways 6101), Margaret Mead, "American Character" (Libraphone S 105), Dr. Ashley Montagu, "The Nature of Human Nature" (Libraphone S 106), Bergen Evans, "Of Many Things" (SW 106-9). Other records include material on psychology, business, politics, religion, investments, physical well-being, music appreciation, etc. There is hardly a laugh in most of these, but they are intensely interesting all the same.

Capitalizing on laughter was a secret

known to the earliest record makers, as has already been pointed out. However, it was only very recently that the record makers of today rediscovered the fact that people will pay good money to laugh. As proof of this, comedians such as Bob Newhart, Shelley Berman, Dave Gardner, Orson Bean, Alan King, Buddy Hackett, etc. are hitting the best seller lists with surprising regularity. Even the "way out" comics such as Phyllis Diller, Jack Douglas, Phil Foster, etc., are winning considerable attention. You can, in fact, get humor of any type on records, from easy-going Sam Levenson to "sick" Lenny Bruce, mad Theodore and even weird Zacherley. On a different literary level you can get Hal Holbrook's masterful performance as Mark Twain (Columbia OS 2030), Prof. C. Northcote Parkinson explaining "Parkinson's Law" (Libraphone B 104), S. J. Perelman (Spoken Arts 705) and others. These are immensely entertaining, and some are also thought-provoking.

Brand new is a record that demonstrates what modern equipment can do. It was recorded at the annual meeting of the Benevolent Society for the Preservation of Ancient Rhymes and Limerix (Cook 1074). Special microphones, designed to "focus" on only one speaker

of conversation at a time, unobtrusively scanned the room, picking up choice bits while the highly informal meeting of the Society was going on.

Stereo, because of its two channels with left and right speakers, has added a new dimension to recorded humor. Two examples will serve to illustrate: "Cartoons in Stereo" (Audio Fidelity DFS 7008) and "Sounds/Funny" (Epic BN 598). A short skit from the first record begins with someone asking for a match. Immediately after the match is scratched (one channel), the fire spreads into a roaring conflagration over both channels. To all this terrifyingly realistic sound is added the clamor of the fire engines as they race up with sirens tuned to highest pitch. In the second record another short skit has someone (left speaker) answering a telephone. "Joe's Hilltop Diner," he says. At this point the listener hears a giant landslide breaking loose, traveling from left to right. There is another call (right speaker), and the answer: "Joe's Valley Diner." These skits are much funnier in sound than they appear here, indicating that a new comic technique has been discovered. It's a safe bet that there will be more of this kind of devilry in the world of sound. And more record sales as a result.

THE END

BRIEFLY

ABOUT BOOKS

Las Vegas, City Without Clocks, by Ed Reid. PRENTICE-HALL, \$3.95. This is required reading for Legionnaires in view of the fact that next year's National Convention will be held in "the entertainment capital of the world where . . . tourists wine, dine, gamble and generally enjoy themselves 24 hours a day."

"China" and United States "China Policy," by Stanley K. Hornbeck. AMERICAN-ASIAN EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE, \$1.00. You will be reading and hearing more communist propaganda as the reds step up their drive to get Communist China into the U.N. This little book provides the answers to the distortions.

The American Heritage Book of Indians. AMERICAN HERITAGE PUBLISHING CO., \$15. A beautifully illustrated account of the first settlers on the North American Continent and what we know about them from 20,000 B.C. to the present day.

From the Dreadnought to Scapa Flow, by Arthur J. Marder, OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS, \$10.00. Volume I of a series of books which

will deal with the British Navy. This covers the period 1904-1914.

Learning How—Baseball, by Dick Siebert. CREATIVE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY, \$1.95. A profusely illustrated paperback which shows graphically everything anyone is likely to want to know about baseball fundamentals and techniques. Particularly recommended for those who have any interest in Junior Baseball.

The Divided Union, by J. G. Randall and David Donald. LITTLE, BROWN & CO., \$6.50. A history of the conflict between the States in one volume.

Eugénie, by Hester W. Chapman, LITTLE, BROWN & CO., \$5.00. A novel which deals with the most glamorous period in French history, and the Empress who contributed so much of the glamor.

Sheridan In the Shenandoah, by Edward J. Stackpole. THE STACKPOLE CO., \$5.95. A liberally illustrated book which tells of Jubal Early's threat and how it was met by Sheridan.

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that he and Lem Billings had "definitely decided to stop fooling around. I really do realize how important it is that I get a good job done this year. . . . I have been bluffing myself about how much real work I have been doing."

Jack buckled down, edged into the upper half of his class and graduated 64th out of 112. He was voted "most likely to succeed."

Lem Billings had begun spending summers with the Kennedys at Hyannis Port. As crew in sailing races to Nantucket Island, Billings, a huge boy, found himself hanging out on the rail to keep the boat from keeling over. Hour after hour the icy seas swept him until he asked to be relieved. The Kennedy brothers shook their heads. He stayed. "They ran a tight ship," he recalls. "You made a mistake, boy, you caught it. But that was forgotten a minute after the race."

Every one saw that there was no jealousy in their competition. Each Kennedy took pride in the achievements of the other. Each would rather win the approval of the family than of outsiders.

Those summers at Hyannis Port softball games between the "Barefoot Boys" (Kennedys) and the "Pansies" (neighbors) were savage. They fought it out each Labor Day on the Kennedy lawn, and Jack usually pitched. The games continued through the years. At first little Bobby and Teddy stopped rollers in the outfield. When they had grown larger, they became pitchers.

During his summers at Hyannis Port with Jack, Lem Billings noticed that spirited sport was accompanied by much ribbing and verbal give-and-take. However, at table, although the spirit lasted, the subject quickly switched to serious matters of politics or world events. No small talk or talk of money has ever been allowed at the Kennedy meals. Conversation flowed on an intellectual plane, oriented somewhat toward the father's participation in important events (he became U.S. Ambassador to Britain). Each child, Billings noticed, was encouraged to express his opinion strongly and to be well informed. Each had the spirit and confidence to do so.

Jack's confidence was a little shaken, however, when he left Choate for Harvard and saw first hand the record big Joe was setting. Grimly he dug in to set his own mark.

Jack actually tried so hard at Harvard he damaged his health. At 18, he was a tall, thin boy with a slender face and wiry build. He was not as husky as big Joe. Perhaps because he wanted to get out from under the dominant Joe, he enrolled first at Princeton, but had to pull out after a recurrence of the jaundice

he'd suffered the summer before. Given time to think, Jack decided to come to grips with the Kennedy Harvard tradition after all.

Jack's close friend and roommate at Harvard was Torbert MacDonald, a fine athlete and All-American football player. "Torby" knew more than anyone else how hard Jack tried.

Once Jack was confined to the infirmary with gripe and a high fever. At that time competition was open for a



"He's a coon dog, why?"

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spot on the swimming team. "He was on a light diet because of his fever and this worried him," MacDonald says. "He was afraid he wouldn't be strong enough to win the swimming trials. So he made me smuggle malted milks and steaks into the infirmary. Then he'd get me to help him disappear for an hour. He would rush to the Indoor Athletic Building, swim several laps, and, before the nurse came around to take his temperature and give him his medicine, he would be back in bed." Richard Tregaskis, who made it instead, later became a famous war correspondent and wrote "Guadalcanal Diary."

Harold Ulen, Jack's swimming coach, said "I had Jack on my teams for 3 years, and I remember him very vividly. He was a fine kid, frail and not too strong but always giving it everything he had. He was more of a team man than an individualist."

Team man he was, and he would stick with a sport even though he never got out of junior varsity.

Roommate MacDonald watched Jack grind away at football practice. "He was a good athlete," MacDonald remembers, "but Jack would not be considered a topnotch varsity player because he lacked weight. He made the most of his natural talents and was very determined, however."

Jack's determination led to a revealing scene. Jack was a sophomore and big Joe a first-string senior. Joe kept an eye on Jack, gave advice, but saw the impossibility of Jack's footballing ambition. One day after practice he walked up to his brother, who was with MacDonald, and said, "If you want my opinion you'd be better off forgetting about football. You're going to get yourself banged up."

MacDonald got his dander up. "Come off it Joe," he said. "Jack doesn't need any looking after." Suddenly Torby found himself on the receiving end of a tirade from Jack. Jack told his roommate off for butting into a family affair!

The rival brothers, husky and slim, went down to Hyannis Port together that summer and teamed up to win a sail-boating championship off Cape Cod.

Joe had accurately foreseen Jack's football injury, however; it came in the form of a back injury that seemed to yield to care and rest. Jack graduated *cum laude* in political science, class of 1940, all in one piece. The thunder of WW2 sounded, and he enlisted in the Navy, became a PT skipper in the Solomon Islands campaign.

At midnight, August 2, 1943, he was cruising slowly under blackout west of New Georgia when a 30-knot Japanese destroyer cut his boat cleanly in two. Kennedy was slammed down hard, and his back went out again, badly. Two men were killed instantly. The survivors, two badly injured, stayed with the wreckage until it sank, and then Jack took the life-jacket cord of a burned shipmate in his teeth and began a heroic 5-mile swim to an island. He crawled up the beach exhausted and, after sodden sleep, swam many miles in search of rescuers. Finally he brought help through friendly natives on another island.

Jack was cited by Adm. Halsey for courage, endurance and leadership. His old Harvard swim coach said, "Jack was not a great swimmer at college. Jack was a great swimmer only once — when it meant something."

A year later, Kennedy was at Hyannis Port after recent release from Chelsea Naval Hospital where he had undergone extensive treatment for his back injury and for malaria. With weight (he had gone down to 127 pounds) and spirits returning, he like his family was rocked by the news that Joseph Kennedy, Jr. had been killed in action flying a dangerous volunteer bombing mission against German V-2 pens on the Belgian coast.

For months afterward, Joe's father would spend most of each day sitting alone listening to symphony music. Then gradually the dynamic family started to rally from its grief. Following the father's lead, they started a book called "As

We Remember Joe." In it each member of the family would write his recollections of the dead flier.

Eunice explained to Teddy, who was 12, what he should write. She told him to say how wonderful and strong and calm Joe was.

"But Joe wasn't calm," Teddy said. "One day he threw me in the ocean!" Teddy wrote:

"... We had our sails up just as the gun went for the start. This was the first race I had ever been in. We were going along very nicely until suddenly he told me to pull in the jib. I had know Idea what he was talking about. . . . we were getting further and further away from the other boats. . . . suddenly he seized me by the pants and through me into the cold water. . . .

. . . I felt his hand grab my shirt and he lifted me into the boat. . . . We came in second. . . . One falt Joe had was that he got very easily mad in a race as you have witnessed. But he always meant well. . . ."

After Joe's death, Jack became the main political possibility in the family. After a crack at journalism, he ran successfully for the House of Representatives and then the Senate. During his vacations he was able to guide younger brothers Bobby and Teddy in their sports progress.

Bobby was naturally shy, slight of build, but he worked with grim determination at Milton Academy and at Harvard to become a star athlete. At Harvard, despite his 5 feet 10 inches and 165 pounds, he made the varsity team.

Younger Teddy went on to play Harvard varsity ball with slightly less effort; 6 feet 2 inches tall and weighing 200 pounds, he made a distinct impression on the opposition. The entire Kennedy clan would swarm to Cambridge to watch him play end—and then at Hyannis Port they played touch viciously, laughing loudly when any pass catcher fell in the old rose bush that marked goal line.

During Senator Kennedy's marriage ceremony to Jacqueline Bouvier, a few perceptive persons noticed scratches on Jack's check. He had indulged in a wild bit of scrimmage the day before. The rose bush had scored again. Jacqueline tried touch football, broke her ankle and swore off.

Touch football games gave way to the fight for the Presidency. The entire family pitched into the campaign, while the parents remained on the sidelines cheering. Sisters Eunice, Pat and Jean entertained and addressed women's groups. (Rosemary had been invalided by meningitis. Kathleen died in a 1948 plane crash.) Bobby served as Jack's campaign manager, worked an 18-hour day. But

Teddy risked his life.

During the Wisconsin primary campaign Ted was so overcome by loyalty at a Madison ski jumping rally that he flew off the high icy chute before 10,000 spectators, swerved to a stop at the microphone to make a rousing address.

"I'm here to help my brother," he panted. The cheering throng didn't know Teddy had never been off a ski jump before.

If Jack thought that was reckless loyalty, he must have been astounded when Teddy campaigned in Miles City, Montana, by riding a rodeo bucking bronco. He stayed on a respectable 5 seconds but drew the line afterward when asked to hold a balloon in his teeth for a marksman!

The Kennedys celebrated their November tight-squeeze triumph with a wild sporting spree at Hyannis Port.

Leaning out an upstairs window, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kennedy watched a game of touch in which Jack leaped high to intercept a pass. Seconds later he was at the bottom of a heap of Kennedys. There, below them in a pile, was their own loving, fighting family. Then they heard Bobby sing out at the President-elect: "Plenty of guts, but no brains."

Joe Kennedy was delighted; this was music for his ears. Son in the White House with guts and no brains! That was the trait he had always encouraged: guts. "I like a man with courage," he would say, or, "That fellow has got plenty of Moxie!"

There is great sport at Hyannis Port today: sailing races, riding, tennis, touch, swimming, golf. And there is "kick-the-can" with three generations (16 grandchildren) participating.

You remember kick-the-can! Any number can play, young or old, and that's the point. It's hide-and-seek, with a jail. You're caught, and go in jail, which is marked with a tin can. But if you can race to the jail and kick the can, you're free, and all the prisoners can escape. Kennedys 70 to 3 or 4 kick the can. They also play "prisoners' base" with "two people it."

For Joe Kennedy, though he has a son in the White House, nothing has changed; family, games, competitiveness.

Nor has President John F. Kennedy changed in his father's view. ". . . When he uses the apartment, he still takes my socks if I have some new ones around." Having spoken these words, the elder Kennedy mounted his horse at his Osterville, Mass., farm and rode off on a long, strenuous trail, disappearing at a trot, alone, at 72 the embodiment of a tradition that has produced a president.

Not really alone. For it can truthfully be said that wherever Joe Kennedy goes, he has his "ball team" with him.

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kas were the heaviest weapons to be air-dropped and the jeep was the largest vehicle that could be airlifted, now 2½-ton trucks, 6-ton howitzers, and a whole family of engineer construction equipment, including roadgraders and bulldozers, are paraded on a routine basis.

For example, 2 years ago, 333 men of the 326th Airborne Engineer Battalion and 40 loads of heavy construction equipment totaling 352 tons were delivered in what is the largest mass air drop in airborne history. Thirty-three hours after the last piece of equipment landed,

a 2,500-foot by 60-foot runway was completed, ready for use.

Achievements of this kind are the result of teamwork between the Army's combat arms and technical services which have developed newer, lighter weapons, vehicles and construction equipment, improved cargo parachutes and platforms and rigging methods, and modified parachute dropping techniques. The net effect — safer, more accurate airdrops.

To meet increased Army cargo requirements, the Air Force has developed aircraft for airborne operations involv-

ing long-distance movement of heavy loads. The C-123 and C-130-B are two which have greatly improved the Army's capability to accomplish strategic and tactical moves by air.

Today's Army has two ready-line airborne divisions — the 82nd and 101st — both veterans of World War II, whose men are trained to the letter and ready to "stand up and hook up" on call. They form the main thrust and punch of STRAC (Strategic Army Corps). They'll go by plane when and where needed, prepared to land on their objective by parachute.

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HOW NOT TO GET LOST

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stock of your situation. This is the time when you wish for some things you didn't bring along. The Air Force created a survival vest containing all kinds of needs from compass to emergency rations. One manufacturer recently put such a vest on the market for civilian outdoorsmen. Once tossed on your own in the wilderness you tear the vest pouches open and come up with such prizes as fish hooks, rations, first-aid kit, compass, matches and knife.

For many years I have carried a pocket emergency kit of my own design. You can pack an amazing amount of highly useful items into a tin tobacco can. There is room for matches dipped in paraffin, a couple of razor blades, a small compass, adhesive bandages, a metal mirror for signaling, a whistle, fishing line, hooks and flies, lead foil for sinkers, pencil and paper, halazone tablets for purifying water and even a few bouillon cubes and a little waterproof pack of salt.

No outdoorsman should venture into the wilderness without matches and a knife. If the country is especially rough or if he is hunting big game, he should also carry a small coil of nylon rope strong enough to support himself. Always tucked away in my hunting coat are a couple of chocolate bars and some flat foil packs of tea or coffee.

Another new outdoor gadget that I like to carry in my coat pocket is an aluminum stove hardly bigger than a pack of cigarettes. It burns solid fuel tablets with enough heat to make coffee or even cook a small meal when you can't find dry kindling.

Any seasoned guide will tell you that if you're still lost when it begins to get dark the thing to do is make camp. Get as comfortable as you can for the night. Stumbling through the woods in the darkness can be foolhardy. Find a spot protected from wind, rain or snow and

build yourself a small fire. Well ahead of darkness collect enough dry wood to last you through the night.

This plan was put to good use during a recent Wisconsin deer season. David Waggoner, wildlife law enforcement supervisor with the Department of Conservation, heard about a lost hunter at 9:30 one evening. Snow had fallen steadily since 4 o'clock that afternoon. It had covered all tracks within a half hour. During the next 6 hours 4 inches fell. By midnight the weather turned bitterly cold. The lost hunter had gone into a wooded area 6 miles long and 2½ miles wide. No one knew whether or not he was equipped to protect himself against the blinding snowstorm or the bitter cold.

During the evening a nearby village sent out its fire truck to join others driving around the area in an effort to guide the man from the woods. But snow cut off the lights and wind drowned out the siren. The rescuers fought the elements all night.

Shortly after daybreak the hunter came out of the woods in good condition. How had he managed it? As soon as he realized he was lost, he made camp. He was carrying a supply of matches so he built a fire and stacked enough wood to keep it going all night. Then he cut evergreen boughs and built a lean-to to protect himself from snow and wind and reflect some of the heat from his fire. He slept snugly except for the times when he had to add fuel to the fire. "When daybreak came," Waggoner recalls, "the storm had passed and he was able to tell directions and walk out of the woods."

Most hunters have come out on a country lane or logging road and not known which way to turn to reach their parked cars. Instead of aiming directly at your car, try coming out purposely some distance to one side of it. Then

turn in the other direction on the road and you can be relatively certain you're headed for your car.

Big-game hunters who get lost often have to camp out in snowstorms and near zero weather. Some months ago, while on a mid-January trip into northern Quebec to field-test outdoor equipment, I had long talks with arctic expert Art Reid about keeping warm outdoors at low temperatures.

Art as a boy accompanied his father on trips for the Hudson Bay Co. Since his childhood he has spent many winters tramping through the arctic snowfields in temperatures too cold to seem real. Art is now the leading designer of winter field equipment for Canada's armed forces. "People need to forget some of the things they've learned about cold," Art said. "You don't rub frosted fingers and feet with snow unless you want to freeze them more. The best thing is to try to warm them by holding them against the body or immerse them in water brought to body temperature."

"You'll also hear," says Art, "that if you go to sleep when you're cold you may freeze to death. If you're that cold you won't go to sleep. You're better off if you do sleep because that way you stay inactive and save energy."

If you're lost for very long, food becomes a problem. But the wilderness offers many edibles. Hunger is the mother of invention. You can catch food with traps, snares and deadfalls. All birds and mammals and nearly all fish are edible. So are reptiles, and this is no time to be choosy.

If you don't know what nuts, fruits and plants to risk, try them only in small quantities at first. Foods that mammals eat will seldom harm humans. You might even rob a squirrel's cache of winter nuts if you can't catch the squirrel himself.

Traveling should be limited to the

daylight hours, with the possible exception of desert travel. Try to follow streams downhill until you come to a road, ranch or power line, but remember that there are western streams that can lead you into box canyons where the water suddenly goes underground.

In one widely heralded ease, a man took his family to the hills to battle for survival. Several newspaper stories later

he came out convinced that modern man faced with the need to survive in the wilderness couldn't make it.

I don't agree. Most of us would give it the old college try and an amazingly large number could make it. Man's ingrained will to survive, plus some basic survival knowledge, could someday save any one of us from serious trouble in the big, wide, wonderful outdoors. THE END

SONG YONG CHO AND THE SERGEANT

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where in Korea could a bunch of GI's get Song a pair of artificial feet?

A GI clerk in the Logistical Command came across the answer among routine correspondence from an outfit located near Pusan. The name of the outfit made him triple-time to Sgt. Douglas. A jeep ride later, the sergeant was bragging like a proud father about Song to Capt. James N. Calway, Commanding Officer, 1st Artificial Limb and Brace Detachment, of the Prosthetic Unit, 14th Field Hospital.

When Sgt. Douglas returned with Capt. Calway's reply, the waiting GI's exploded with V-Day ya-hoos. Song looked up in alarm from the combat boots he was polishing and saw the 2nd Logistical Command banzailing toward him.

"You're going to get feet, Song! Savvy? You're going to walk!"

Song's grin dawned hesitantly. His eyes Fourth-of-Julyed. He looked from face to face, his smile flickering off and on like a neon sign. Bewildered, unsure, unable to ask for confirmation in English, he asked by hugging the combat boots to his chest and nodding inquiringly.

"Yeah, Song! Yeah, that's it! You'll be able to wear a pair of GI shoes pretty soon!"

A short time later, Song was moved to Capt. Calway's detachment. Daily he watched wide-eyed as Sgt. Richard Gormanson created the artificial feet. When they were finished, Sgt. Gormanson began teaching 10-year-old Song how to walk.

Meanwhile, Sgt. Douglas wondered if providing artificial feet for Song was also providing him with artificial hope. Where would the kid's feet lead him? Back to the gutters of Pusan? Back to begging, scrounging for food, sleeping wherever exhaustion felled the little body?

The sergeant considered the possibility of adopting Song, but with seven children of his own, well—. "But wait a GI minute!" he brainstormed one evening. "Isn't there a town stateside that's especially for kids like Song—homeless boys of every race, color and creed?"

He spread the word. Enlisted men and officers airmailed letters to Monsignor

Nicholas H. Wegner, director of Father Flanagan's Boys Town, in Nebraska. A corporal, Emmet A. Norberg, appealed in these words:

"If there is any way possible for him to be admitted, that way should be taken—not only for the good of the boy, but for the eventual glory of our own land—on whose soil will grow a sturdy man, who otherwise would not grow at all. Indeed, it is not likely he would have survived another winter, had it not been that Sgt. Douglas befriended him. May our Heavenly Father bless your efforts in Song's behalf."

Father Wegner replied immediately. Boys Town would be proud to accept Song Yong Cho as a citizen. This heartening development advanced proceedings up to two imposing obstacles: How to get Song to, and into, the United States? Sgt. Douglas and the GI's tackled the first problem, while Father Wegner tackled the other.

One day, during this tense period, Sgt. Gormanson called Sgt. Douglas about Song. Could Douglas come over on the double? He was there sooner. What was wrong? Couldn't Song adjust to the artificial limbs? A grim-faced Gormanson coughed nervously and jerked a thumb toward a door. It popped open on signal and in walked Song—on his own two feet!

"God Almighty!" gasped Sgt. Douglas.

Song had another surprise. There are 3 flights of stairs in the building, 15 steps to each flight. Song climbed up those 45 steps unaided. At the top of his Everest he beamed hallelujah. The two sergeants sniffed and reached for their handkerchiefs.

The "Song to Boys Town or Bust" campaign also had a rousing victory on the home front. Father Wegner had solicited the help of Nebraska's Senator Hugh Butler and Congressman Roman Hruska. They introduced a special bill in their respective houses to facilitate Song's admission into the United States.

To pay for Song's passage on a commercial airline, a GI helmet was passed around. Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Airmen and American civilians stationed in Pusan, made it overflow. There was enough for Song's fare, a new suit, all

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the haberdashery to go with it, and a pair of new shoes.

D — for Departure, Day was Friday, May 22, 1953. At the Pusan airport, Song laughed and cried as enlisted men, officers and civilians swamped him with goodbyes and gifts. At the top of the gangplank he turned and lit up his familiar smile. "So long, Sargie!"

"So long, S-Song," Sgt. Douglas' voice cracked. His eyes filled with tears. "Everything's going to be very No. 1 for you now!"

Four days later, Song's new shoes were walking on American soil at the Omaha airport. Father Wegner greeted his new, and 900th, citizen and they drove west toward Boys Town. After 11 miles, the car entered the small community and passed a statue of a boy carrying a younger lad on his back. The inscription says: "He ain't heavy, Father . . . he's m'brother." Song Yong Cho was home.

Snuggled in his bed that night, in quarters housing boys his age, Song marveled at all the wonderful things that had happened to him. He also wondered: Would the others accept him as one of the boys? He was Korean. He couldn't speak their language. He had artificial feet.

In the morning, Song found the answer under his pillow—a pair of Genuine Wild West six-shooters! A very No. 1 way the other boys had of breaking through the language barrier to say "Welcome, brother!"

When the homecoming excitement subsided, Song started school. At 11 he had never been in a classroom before. His English vocabulary, spoken by rote, extended a few phrases beyond "OK" and "Shoe shine, Joe." With special

tutoring and help from Boys Town citizens, in addition to his regular classes, Song caught up to his age level in grade school within a year!

Games and sports that stressed foot and leg agility attracted Song. Boys Town buzzed in the fall of 1955 when he signed up for one of the intramural football teams. In his first game Song scored a touchdown, and even the rival team cheered. The following winter he played on an intramural basketball team, and, in spring 1956, Song was second baseman on one of the Boys Town baseball teams.

He qualified for the Boy Scouts of America and earned merit badges in camping, cooking, swimming, nature, personal fitness, public health, safety, firemanship and first aid. He flabbergasted officials of the Covered Wagon Boy Scout Council at Camp Cedars by applying for a merit badge in lifesaving. The officials advised against it. They told him frankly that with his handicap they doubted he could pass the difficult demonstration tests. Song said he realized the tests were extremely difficult—that was why he wanted to take them. The officials were stumped.

Reluctantly, they scheduled him for the lifesaving tests. Song began practicing with the same tenacity and pluck that had kept him alive when he had to crawl around Pusan on his hands and knees. He did not count his handicaps—he counted on his blessings. His strength was concentrated in well-developed arms, shoulders and chest—and in his heart.

On the day of the tests, Song amazed officials. He successfully demonstrated one requirement after another. Then came the most difficult test for Song.

He had to stand fully dressed on shore, disrobe, enter the water, swim 30 feet to a "drowning" person, make the correct approach, and then tow the "victim" to shore—all within 1 minute. That was less time than Song had always taken just to remove his artificial feet, which were attached to his legs with elaborate harnesses.

But when the starting whistle blew, Song's persistent practice sessions paid off. He had his clothes and the harnesses off in seconds! Quickly he slid into the water and the piston-like strokes of his muscled arms raced him to the "victim" and back. The timekeeper blinked tears out of his eyes. Song had completed the lifesaving demonstration in 45 seconds!

In the following months, Song added other merit badges to his Boy Scout sash, until he had a total of 21. Then he topped them all by earning the Eagle Scout Badge, the highest rank awarded by the Boy Scouts. He also learned to play the drums and joined the Boys Town high school band.

Song made a trip to Hattiesburg, Mississippi, in 1958, for a reunion with the man who changed the course of his life. The only thing Sgt. Douglas recognized about the handsome and husky teenager slapping him on the back was the radiant grin. He knew of Song's remarkable accomplishments from letters they had exchanged, and if admiration were a Pfc. stripe, the sergeant would have been a zebra. Song had also saved a couple of surprises to announce in person. He was going to apply for U.S. citizenship! And, in gratitude for what Sgt. Richard Gormanson and Sgt. Douglas had done for him, Song would then change his name to Richard Douglas Cho!

Two months after his March 17, 1960 birthday, 19-year-old Song Yong Cho of Korea, became Richard Douglas Cho, citizen of the United States of America. The following month, on June 5, he received another significant document when Father Wegner handed him a Boys Town high school diploma.

Today, Richard Douglas Cho is an assistant director and trainer at Boys Town, and a student at the Boyles-Van Sant Business College in Omaha. He can't speak a word of Korean and is as American as a home run with bases loaded. When asked what he thought of his adopted country, he flashed his electric grin, "The U.S.A. is OK!"

Does Richard Douglas Cho look back on the days when he dragged himself around Pusan? "No!" he says. "I look where I am going, not where I have been." He realizes no one expects requital for what they had done for him; however, it is a debt he intends to repay. "I shall do unto others as they have done unto me."

THE END



"Instant smoke signals."

ANOTHER LOOK AT THE U.N.

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This thought is especially disturbing when it is considered that the United States can no longer count on the support it once had, a fact that was demonstrated in the closing session of the General Assembly on April 22. On that occasion the United States suffered a serious diplomatic defeat when the U.N. decided that the Cuban controversy should not be referred to the Organization of American States. At the same session, and with characteristic open-handedness, this country agreed to pay 47 million dollars, or nearly half of the entire cost of the Congo operation for 1961.

Up to now the United States has shown a curious compulsion to underwrite far more than its share of U.N. operating costs, on the assumption that we are paying for peace and getting it at a bargain price. Pro-U.N. lecturers and writers plug this idea by saying that the cost of the U.N. is equivalent to the price of a pack of cigarettes per person per year. This is so if you take one set of figures, but if you use those figures you are likely to be greatly misled about how much the U.N. really costs. And what the U.N. costs no one seems to know, including organizations that deal in information about the U.N. It may be for this reason that attempts to get specific information on U.N. finances met with a certain amount of vagueness and equivocation.

Following are figures supplied by U.N. Press Information on the organization's 1960 budget:

General Budget:

U.N.	cost	\$58,347,514
U.S.	gave	18,953,330
U.S.S.R.	"	7,940,460
Albania	"	23,320
Bulgaria	"	93,280
Byelorussian S.S.R.	"	274,010
Czechoslovakia	"	507,210
Hungary	"	244,860
Poland	"	798,710
Rumania	"	198,220
Ukrainian S.S.R.	"	1,049,400

UNEF (Emergency Forces)

(Middle East) Budget:

Cost	20,000,000
U.S.	gave 6,497,064
U.S.S.R.	2,721,932
	(not paid)

Congo Budget:

Cost	48,500,000
U.S.	gave 15,745,211
U.S.S.R.	6,596,425
	(not paid)

However, the U.S. Mission to the U.N., quoting "a Congressional document," reported that the total cost of all the U.N. for 1960, including assessments for the U.N. "family," was 344 million dollars—of which 53 million dollars was

for the general U.N. budget; 84 million dollars for the Congo; 20 million dollars for UNEF.

The U.S. Committee for the U.N. came up with some different figures, saying that the U.S. had given 192 million dollars to the U.N. in 1960.

Things became a bit more confused when the American Association for the U.N. reported that the total budget for the U.N. and ten of its agencies for 1960 was 128,211,450 dollars.

Whichever figure you choose, it is obvious that running the U.N. calls for much more than "cigarette money," as some would have you believe.

But that is only part of the picture, and American taxpayers are beginning to realize that they are paying far more than this. They know that one reason for the billions being given to other nations in foreign aid programs is to promote good will in the form of votes in the United Nations. Even those who feel that the realities of international life call for such vote-buying are beginning to feel that a large proportion of the billions voted for foreign aid since WW2 has been money poorly invested, and this antagonism is evident in public reaction to the administration's latest demand for more billions for giveaway purposes.

There is no doubt that this reaction was caused in no small measure by the actions of many of the nations that were beneficiaries of money taken from the American taxpayer. An example of this can be found in the action of India, Yugoslavia, Ghana, Guinea, the United Arab Republic and Morocco. In the last fiscal year the United States gave those countries 400 million dollars and in addition arranged to give them 500 million dollars in surplus food. As a measure of their appreciation, these six nations voted against us in the U.N. more often than with us on such crucial issues as the seating of Red China.

Our leaders persist in referring to such nations as "neutralists," and this fallacy is reflected in our continuing efforts to give them whatever they want that might keep them friendly. At his meeting with President Kennedy in Geneva, Nikita Khrushchev proved himself to be far more realistic when he said that today there are no neutrals. Certainly if they are neutralists, they are, like the U.N. forces in the Congo, pretty consistently neutral on the side of the Kremlin. Despite this, the aid goes on. In May it was announced that the administration was going to lend India another billion dollars in the next two years "to help meet the foreign exchange requirements of India's third Five-Year Plan." Completely overlooked was the annoying fact that in the last session of the U.N. India vot-

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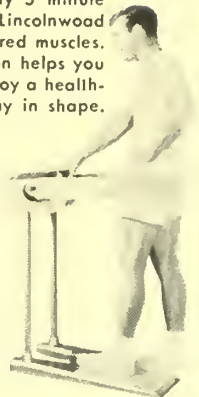
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ed with us only six times and voted with the Soviet Union 50 times.

In the early days of the U.N. the United States could count on enough support to provide some sort of control in that body, but now control by the West has ended, and the balance of power is held by the neutralist nations of Europe and Asia, and the new nations of Africa. This is evident from some statistics. There are now 99 member nations of which 17 may be considered democratic while 11 comprise the communist bloc. However, the latter group is buttressed by such nations as Ghana, Guinea, India, Indonesia, etc., who usually side with the communists. This united front, helped out by the new nations, poses a serious threat. Next year it is expected that this coalition will vote for the admission of Red China, which will mean a showdown.

On the subject of China, Americans have made their position unmistakably clear, and their attitude is reflected in Congress' stand against admitting Red China to the U.N. The reasons for American opposition to Red China are readily apparent. That outlaw nation conducted a bloody, ruthless and undeclared war against us, a war in which tens of thousands of Americans were killed and hundreds of thousands wounded. Its brutalities against American prisoners of war violated all the rules of warfare, and its arrogant refusal to account for Americans it still holds has bred a deep resentment in all Americans. To cap all this, Red China is still at war with the United Nations.

Yet despite all this, strong pressures are being exerted to admit Red China into the U.N., and certain American political figures are said to be conniving in the attempt. Most discussed of the maneuvers is a so-called "Two Chinas" gambit which will offer representation to both Red China and Nationalist China. The promoters of this irresponsible action argue that Red China will surely refuse, in which case the West will be in the clear. This may be, but by conceding that Red China is worthy of a place in the U.N., we have gone a long way toward destroying at least the morale of a faithful ally. Nationalist China, one of the few dependable friends we have left in the Orient. The rest of the world would certainly interpret our acquiescence in the "Two Chinas" gesture as notice that the United States is abandoning Nationalist China. For that matter, the fact that some of our political leaders even talk about the possibility or the "inevitability" of Red China's recognition has hurt us immeasurably by showing our allies, and neutrals, how undependable we often are.

Other actions in the U.N. have certainly made that point previously. The most dramatic recent example was the

manner in which we antagonized a dependable ally, Portugal, by siding with the Soviet against her over Angola.

If there is any common denominator in all this, it may be found in our highly irrational and emotional aim to woo the new nations. We have contributed handsomely to the establishment of these nations, and already we have seen how they have repeatedly turned against us in the U.N. But despite this, we continue to seek to curry favor with them. This would be bad enough if it just meant that we continued to bribe them. It is reprehensible and foolish when we betray trusted allies to gain their goodwill. But probably worst of all is the way in which we permit our fetish for these primitive countries to determine our foreign policy. What earthly reason, for example, is there for worrying about what the pro-communist politicians of Ghana, Guinea and Mali think when it comes to decisions concerning our own security. Specifically, why should we allow these people to determine the fate of a loyal and trusted ally, Nationalist China? Yet there are rumors that that is precisely the strategy being readied by our global diplomats. We will, diffidently, step back and let the U.N. decide whether Red China will be admitted. The Reds plus the neutralists will vote to admit the outlaw, and we will accept the decision like good sports.

This raises another point that is troubling many Americans. If Red China gets into the U.N. it will be largely because of the one-nation one-vote policy of the world body. It is probably safe to say that most Americans have never heard of such new nations as Upper Volta, Somalia, Chad, Dahomey, and Gabon. But each of these has as much voting power in the General Assembly as the United States. This, to many, is as unrealistic as permitting Russia to have three votes to one for the United States. Indeed, years before the United Nations was founded, President Franklin D. Roosevelt discussed a new "League of Nations" in which the small nations were to have no voice whatsoever. The idea of giving small nations an equal voice with the big ones was, he said, ridiculous. His plan was to have a league made up of four nations, the United States, the Soviet Union, Great Britain and China. This may have been an undemocratic proposal, but it makes as much sense as the present system.

Our lack of control is also causing concern in view of growing demands from African and Asian nations that the West give them huge grants of money for their internal development. The most ambitious scheme, called the Special United Nations Fund for Economic Development, or SUNFED for short, calls for 55 billion dollars, over a 10-year period, 70 percent of it to be contributed by

the United States. This money would go to Asian, African and Latin American countries with no control whatsoever by the United States.

The Soviet Government would certainly never put up with this sort of thing. Never, in its 44 years, has it shown any willingness to permit an impartial tribunal to pass on any of its actions. Khrushchev on July 11th conceded this when he said:

"Even if all the countries of the world adopted a decision which did not accord with the interests of the Soviet Union and threatened its security, the Soviet Union would not recognize such a decision but would uphold its rights, relying on force. . . ."

The Soviet has made liberal use of the veto in the U.N. to forestall any action it considered antagonistic or even critical. Meanwhile, we have permitted the U.N. to make many moves inimical to our national interest because we disdained to use the veto power. But now Khrushchev has come up with a new weapon for use in the U.N. and elsewhere. This is his famous "troika" proposal. A troika is a Russian sleigh pulled by three horses, and the term "troika" in Soviet terminology means a triumvirate. Khrushchev wants his rule of three applied to the implementation of Soviet foreign policy. The importance that he attaches to the application of the troika principle in the U.N. is evident from the way he pounded his shoe for emphasis when he expounded it, calling for Hammarskjöld's dismissal at last fall's U.N. session.

To run the U.N., he wants a troika instead of a Secretary General, and this 3-man committee (one communist, one neutralist, and one pro-Westerner) would operate under a rule of unanimous consent, meaning any member could veto any action. How it would work in the U.N. is evident from the way this Russian principle has stymied any action in Laos and at the Geneva disarmament sessions. In the case of Laos, the neutralist nation was India, with Krishna Menon running the show. In view of Menon's record, what happened was predictable. Indeed, in view of the way most of the Afro-Asian nations have been voting, the use of the troika principle would come close to giving the Kremlin a two-to-one vote on any issue—with the veto power to back it up if necessary.

Another move by the Soviet bloc to load the dice in its favor is the current demand for more jobs in the Secretariat. A U.N. committee recently recommended the assignment of 100 more key positions to communist-bloc personnel, jobs now held by U.S. and other anti-Red personnel. You may be sure that the people who get these jobs will be full-time employees of the Soviet Union,

and working solely for U.S.S.R. interests, even though the United States will be paying the largest percentage of their salaries—approximately a third, contrasted with an approximate 13.62 percent by the Kremlin.

Few things in the history of the U.N. caused so strong a reaction against the organization in this country as the Red circus that the nabobs of communism staged last August when they descended on New York City en masse to meet at the U.N. But disturbing in the extreme to many Americans was the realization that the rulers of the communist conspiracy, including some of the most despicable criminals in the world's history, could come without bidding to our shores to stage a mammoth Red demonstration. To add insult to injury, Americans had to spend millions to guard these monsters whose crimes against humanity made them logical targets for thousands of refugees who had good reason to hate them. This, plus the realization that this motley crew can return at any time it suits their fancy or whenever it will help advance the cause of world communism, caused many Americans to start using the slogan "Get the U.S. out of the U.N.; Get the U.N. out of the U.S."

It is also irritating to know that, thanks to American hospitality U.N. officials from Iron Curtain countries are permitted to go where they have no business, engage in actions that are reprehensible, and when caught they are turned loose unpunished because of so-called "diplomatic immunity."

The sinister methods of Soviet agents in the United States have been demonstrated time and again. The case of Mme. Oksana Kasenkina, who risked death in escaping from the Soviet Embassy in New York 13 years ago, dramatized another facet of communism. And everyone is aware of the Soviet's operations in the field of blackmail, bribery, and general corruption. However, despite this, Americans were shocked at the strange death of a top U.N. diplomat and at the callous proceedings that led to his death.

The man was Paul Bang-Jensen, a Dane, whose body was found on November 26, 1959, in a park near his home at Lake Success, N. Y. The autopsy report gave the cause of death as "Gunshot wound of the head; suicidal." Some maintained that he did not commit suicide since he had written a note to his wife in which he had said that "under no circumstances whatsoever would I ever commit suicide." But probably more important is the way he had been treated by U.N. officials prior to his death. Bang-Jensen was Danish Deputy Secretary of the U.N. Special Committee on the Problem of Hungary. In this capacity he had compiled a mass of material dealing with the Soviet's ac-

tions in that unfortunate country, and he became disturbed at the way the Hungarian situation was being used by the politicians of the U.N. In his efforts to keep the report on Hungary from being sabotaged, he aroused the antagonism of high U.N. officials, including Hammarskjöld, and was suspended.

Some time later he was called on to turn over to the Secretariat some documents including a list of the anti-communist Hungarians who had given him information with the understanding that their names would not be divulged. Fearful that this information would find its way to the Russians, with foreseeable consequences, Bang-Jensen refused. The lists were subsequently burned by him, in the presence of witnesses atop the U.N. Building. On July 3, 1958 the Secretary General notified him he was being dismissed for misconduct.

When his body was found less than a year later, the case had all the earmarks of a cloak-and-dagger thriller, and many still believe that he was murdered by Soviet agents. The manner of death is relatively unimportant. The significant point is that Bang-Jensen was ignominiously thrown out of the U.N. because he refused to compromise his principles.

What troubles thoughtful Americans even more than all the foregoing is the way in which our own government has permitted the United Nations to formulate U.S. foreign policy. This peculiar kind of diplomat lunacy, which incidentally is bipartisan, takes many curious forms which require us to subordinate our own best interests to the interests of other nations. Through some strange process of reasoning our State Department goes on the assumption that, to be good, a policy must have U.N. endorsement. Keeping in mind the ministrations we can expect from the Soviet bloc and the treatment we are likely to get from such neutralists as Indonesia, India, Ghana, and Guinea, it is difficult to see much logic in this, but there it is.

An interesting example was the recent vote concerning Angola, Portugal's African territory. Siding with the Afro-Asian bloc we twice voted to condemn Portugal for "repressive acts" there. As a result we have alienated one of our NATO allies, and one that had proved highly dependable.

Curiously, on the same day that we went on record for the second time against Portugal's colonial policy, the newspapers carried another story dated United Nations. In this case we were accused by the United Nations of an unsatisfactory colonial policy in our handling of Micronesia, the Pacific Islands that we have had on our hands since we drove the Japanese out during WW2. The complaint was that we had not done enough for the islanders.

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unrealistic concern for the new members of the U.N. is said to have been the reason the attempted invasion of Cuba by Cubans turned into a fiasco that made this country ridiculous in the eyes of the world. Those who took part in that ill-fated mission say that promised air cover which would have given them a fighting chance was withheld at the last moment. It has been reported, and it has not been denied, that this action was taken at the behest of our Ambassador to the United Nations, Adlai Stevenson, who told the President that such action would be offensive to the Afro-Asians and therefore embarrassing to us in the U.N.

Mr. Stevenson, with his talent for the ready quip, once made a speech about the United Nations in which he referred to the postponement of disarmament talks as "a considerable achievement of a negative sort." It would seem that this would apply also to Mr. Stevenson's contribution to the Cuban situation.

On the subject of Cuba, not long after the failure of the invasion, and while Americans were still indignant over that inexplicable performance, the United Nations approved the expenditure of \$3 million to help Castro with his agricultural problems. This scheme, concocted by the governing council of the United Nations Special Fund, called on the United States to contribute \$463,000. Attempts to learn from the U.N. if the United States had paid or was going to pay this money were unproductive. If a guess may be hazarded — we will pay.

The case of Red China was mentioned earlier, and reference was made to pressures being exerted to seat that nation in the U.N. It is no secret that much of the pressure comes from Great Britain. Lord Home not long ago laid it on the line when he advised us to wake up to "the facts of international life" and accept the inevitable by allowing Red China into the U.N. Certainly no one can accuse the British of letting idealism interfere with "the facts of international life" when trade and other matters important to the British are concerned. A thriving trade exists between Red China and Great Britain, and only recently it was announced that Canada, also extremely tolerant of Red China, had agreed to sell that famine-ridden country \$362 million worth of grain. An additional quantity of grain worth more than \$100 million was being sold to Red China by Australia. Obviously, what the nations of the British Commonwealth do is their own business, even though the grain deal helps to prop up a communist regime that is in difficulties because of its inability to feed its own people. However, some skeptics cannot help but think that the U.N. figures in some of these British deals, as another aspect of "the facts of international life."

Unfortunately, we no longer have

much bargaining power to cope with the realists and the opportunists in the United Nations. Our politicians have a strange compulsion to give our wealth away, and the idea of demanding something in return seems repulsive to them. For example, as one of his last official acts as President, Dwight D. Eisenhower appeared before the U.N. and assured members of U.S. aid without any strings attached. More recently, and indicative of the fact that such overwhelming generosity is bipartisan, Adlai Stevenson told representatives of the African nations that they could have American



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help but they had to show "initiative." Unless there has been a drastic change of policy, however, this means only that they will have to show enough initiative to ask for help.

Since our foreign aid is dispensed on the premise that we do not insist on anything in return, the beneficiaries can, and do, feel at liberty to take any position they choose in the U.N. They know they are going to get American money, regardless, and if they happen to swing over to the communist side they are likely to come up with something from the Kremlin to boot. However, the Soviet drives a harder bargain, Mr. Khrushchev being about as philanthropic as a pawnbroker.

It might also be pointed out the wily Mr. K. is also a good actor. Advocates of the U.N. point to his shoe-pounding act in that body as proof that he is trying to destroy the organization. As a clincher they cite his demands that Dag Hammarskjöld be fired. If you study pictures of Khrushchev as he banged his shoe, you will find that he was having no tantrum, as some seemed to think, but was obviously enjoying himself. This was not the action of a man calling for the end of the U.N. but of one who was expressing his contempt for the organization and the people in it.

There is another reason why Khrushchev is not likely to order his robots out of the U.N. The Russians made that mistake once before, in 1950, when they walked out in a boycott aimed at getting rid of Trygve Lie. When the North Koreans then swarmed over the border into South Korea, the matter was presented to the Security Council and neither Russia nor any of its satellites were around to exercise the veto and thus forestall action against the Reds. The communists quickly came back but too late to reverse the action that had been taken.

Why should they leave the U.N.? Through the political instrumentation of the organization they can accomplish many things. While they were not present to stop the United States from initiating action in Korea, it may logically be assumed that the communists in the U.N. were not inactive when our military leaders in Korea found themselves being hamstrung by U.N. meddling. Some of this was doubtless of a high-level nature, but much of it could well have come from lower echelons. During the Korean War a committee of the Senate and a New York grand jury started studying Secretariat posts allotted to citizens of the United States to see how many communists held those jobs. Some 200 Americans employees of the U.N. suddenly resigned and were not required to testify. Seventeen who were brought before the Committee refused to answer questions about Communist Party membership, and, under pressure, Trygve Lie dismissed them. But in 1953 the U.N. Administrative Tribunal ruled that they should not have been dismissed; it awarded them heavy damages, and ordered them rehired.

There may be some question about these people and what they were doing at the time of the Korean War, but the record speaks for itself concerning what the U.N. has *not* done about Korea since the war ended. At the time the communists attacked, the U.N. resolved that North and South Korea would eventually be reunited. Today, 11 years later, the country is still divided; Red China is still at war with the United Nations, and the Soviet Union, which organized, directed and armed the invading red armies, has not even been reprimanded.

Later there was the Hungarian revolt against communism. While the U.N. stalled, doing nothing while the Hungarians won their revolution, Khrushchev waited to see what the United States would do. We in turn waited to take our cue from the United Nations. When the U.N. did nothing, Khrushchev brutally struck down a revolt for liberty that could have proved a turning point in history.

For more than a decade the United Nations has been passing resolutions or-

dering Israel to return to borders established by the U.N.—without result. It also adopted a resolution calling for Israel to internationalize Jerusalem. This brought from David Ben-Gurion the retort: "Jerusalem will be internationalized over our dead bodies." In 1948 the U.N. called on Israel to permit Arab refugees driven from their homes in Palestine to return, but the reply was a flat no. Nor are the Arabs any more amenable to the U.N. Nasser was ordered to stop his blacklisting of Israeli shipping in the Suez, but to date he has paid little attention.

When the Red Chinese moved into Tibet, slaughtering its peaceful citizens without cause, the U.N. viewed this barbarism with the greatest equanimity. And the dispute between India and Kashmir still goes on.

Little wonder that the U.N. is increasingly looked upon as an international debating society and a forum for making propaganda rather than as an effectual means of settling disputes. While this view may not be shared by speakers at PTA gatherings and at women's clubs, it certainly seems to reflect the view of first-string diplomats since they usually ignore it when there are important problems to be solved.

Soon after the U.N. was founded, in 1948, Stalin precipitated a crisis over Berlin. At that time the West took the problem to the Security Council. It is doubtful that the U.N. will even be called on in the current Berlin crisis even though Hammaraskjold long ago made it clear that the U.N. wanted to be consulted. In the Laos crisis, too, the U.N. had no part. Nor was it called on to participate in the nuclear test negotiations conducted at Geneva.

Since every possible avenue that might lead to peace is being explored by President Kennedy, and was explored by President Eisenhower before him, their actions would indicate a definite lack of confidence on their part in the ability of the U.N. to do much good. Why a succession of summit meetings on questions that are the province of the United Nations? Why did we send our diplomats to Geneva, at the instigation of the British, to negotiate in a 14-nation conference on Laos when we had the U.N. here in the United States? A third question, flowing from these is: If the United Nations is not capable of doing the job, why bother with a United Nations?

Advocates of the United Nations answer this by saying that the only way in which the U.N. can function properly is to give it more power, and subordinate ourselves still further to the global body. Such a view is currently being advocated by the National Council of Churches which, incidentally, also favors the admission of Red China to the U.N. Also in favor of giving still more of our

sovereignty are the World Federalists.

If our aim is national suicide, then the National Council and the World Federalists have the right prescription. That is evident from the way the votes are lining up against us on issues that have a powerful bearing on our national security. At the present time, an insidious move is under way to give the U.N. the power to intrude into our domestic affairs by extending the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice or "World Court," an organ of the U.N. Only 38 nations automatically accept



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that court's jurisdiction while the other members of the U.N. may be made parties to World Court litigation only with their express consent. No Iron Curtain country has accepted the compulsory jurisdiction of the court, even with reservations. The United States has up to now safeguarded its right to decide whether any case affecting American interests shall be admitted to adjudication by the court. Our safeguard has been in the so-called Connally Amendment. But the internationalists are now working diligently to repeal this amendment, which would permit the World Court to inject itself into our affairs and force compliance with its decisions. At the present time four measures are up for consideration by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee which would serve to have the United States surrender sovereignty to the World Court. Two of these are Resolutions. One, Senate Resolution 39, is sponsored by Senators Humphrey, Morse and Javits. Another, Senate Resolution 136, is sponsored by Senators Javits, Humphrey and Joseph Clark (D. Pa.).

It does not seem to worry those who are pressuring to push these measures through that the World Court is headed by one Bohdan Winiarski, a jurist from Red Poland. Nor is the presence of Philip C. Jessup on this lofty bench reassuring. Jessup, it will be recalled, played an important role in the malodorous Institute of Pacific Relations.

If we expect to maintain our existence, let alone our position of leadership, it is high time that we stop taking the United Nations as seriously as we have up to now. We should recognize, as the Soviet does, that the U.N. has its uses, and we should make use of it when its facilities can serve to advance American aims. However, we should not permit it to formulate U.S. foreign policy, and we most certainly should not allow it to get a foothold in our domestic affairs by such devices as repeal of the Connally Amendment.

Since the beginning of the century, we have been embroiled increasingly in world politics and conflicts. In helping to establish the United Nations, our hope was that through this organization there would be an end to conflicts. But while the cry has been peace, the world has had a succession of blood baths, thanks to the same communist clique which now sits in the conclaves of the United Nations, and which is able to inject itself increasingly into our affairs through that organization.

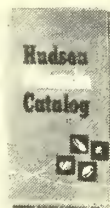
There is a basic fallacy in this which, if understood, provides a clue as to what we should do. It is assumed that the United States is so strong that it can not only defend but subsidize half the world. This is obvious from the demands that are made on us for military help and economic aid. Yet we ourselves make it appear that we are so weak that, unless we are propped up by the United Nations, we are helpless.

The time has come to show that we not only have the strength and decision necessary to assume once again the initiative in the world, but that we know how to use them. We have seen the delegates to the United Nations in action, and it certainly is not chauvinistic to say that this nation can provide better leadership than seems to be available from that assemblage of global politicians. This is not to say that we ought to cut loose from the U.N. and go it alone. *To repeat, where the U.N. can serve our national interests, let us use the U.N. But let it not be the other way around, as it has been, with the U.N. using the United States as a pawn.* We can and must act like leaders, establish policies based primarily on what will be in the best interests of the United States of America—and then follow through on those policies without fear and without compromise.

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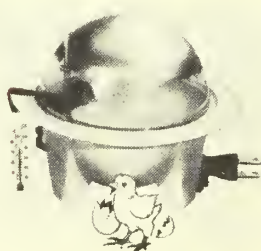
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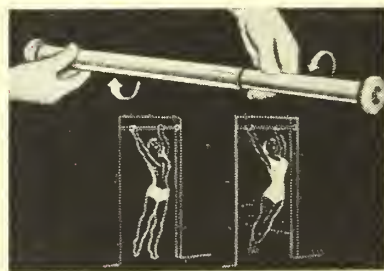
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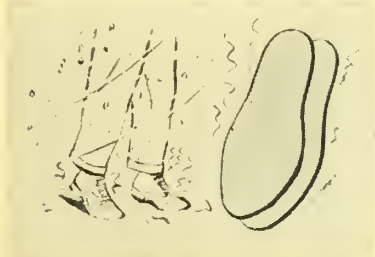
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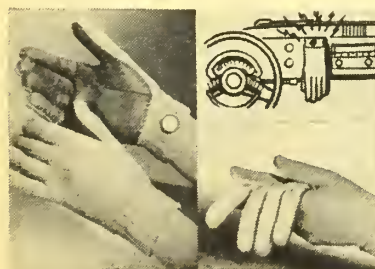
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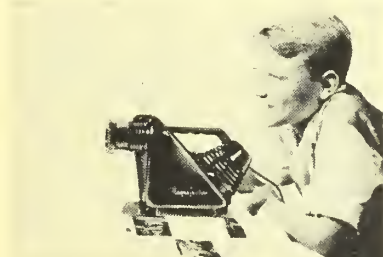


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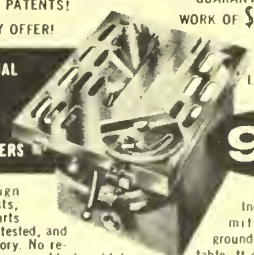
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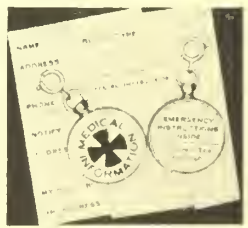


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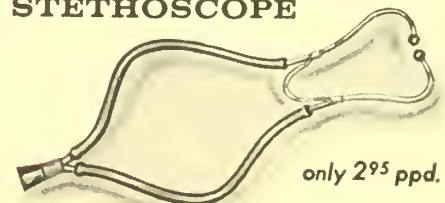
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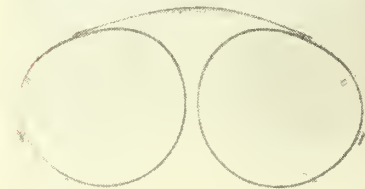
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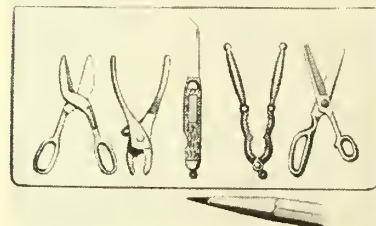
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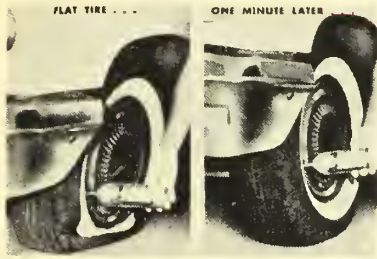


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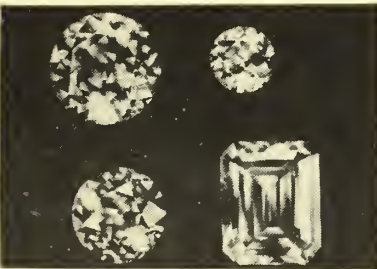
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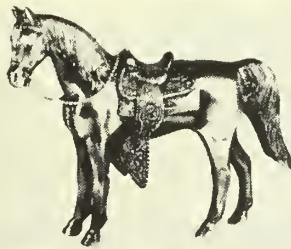
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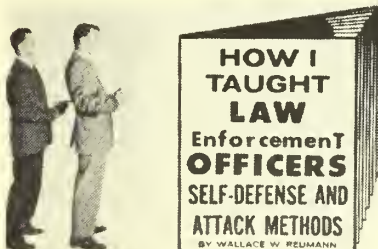
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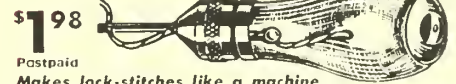
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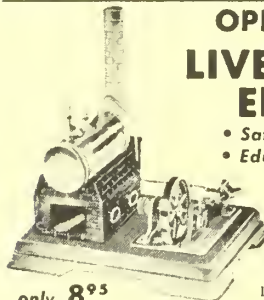
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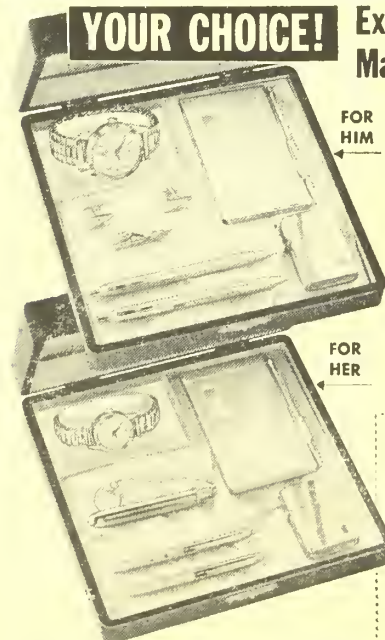
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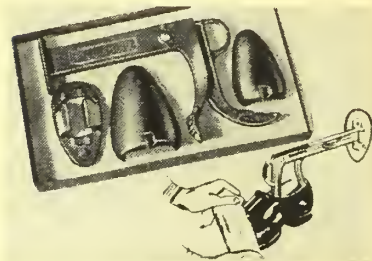


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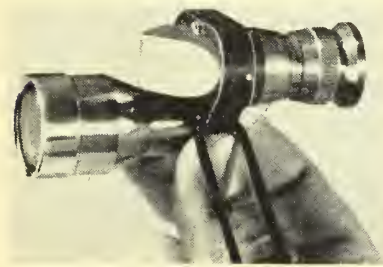


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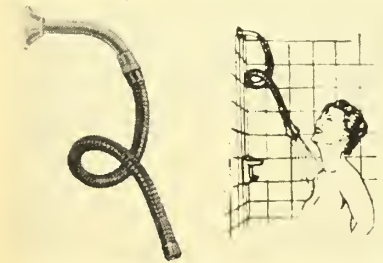
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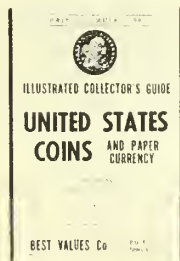
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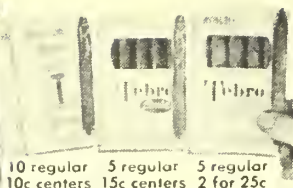
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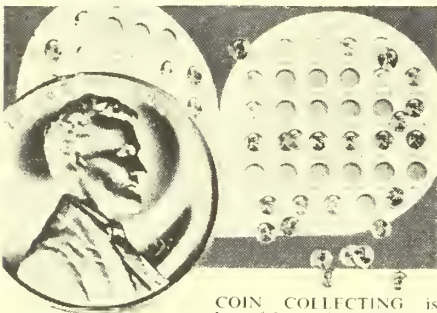
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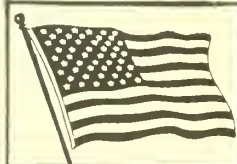
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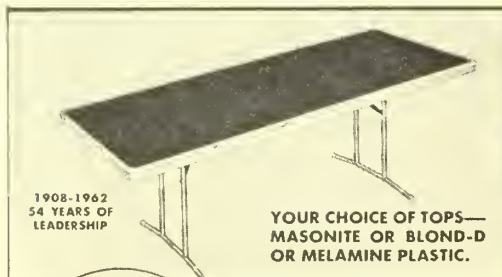
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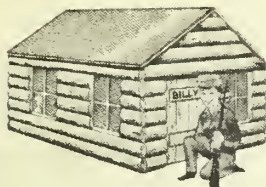


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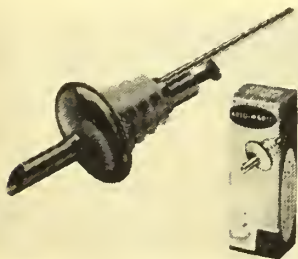
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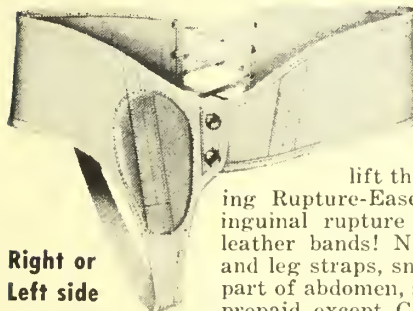
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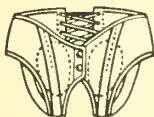
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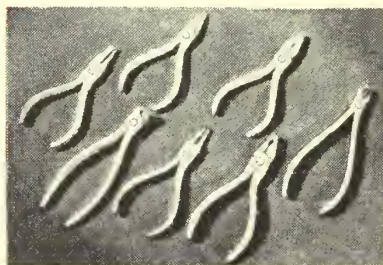
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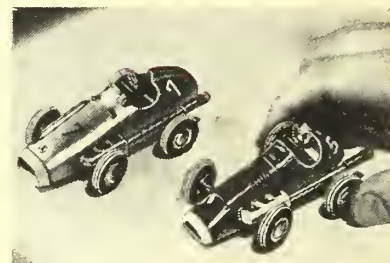
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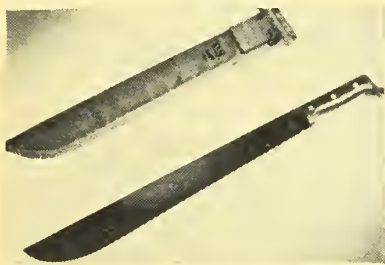
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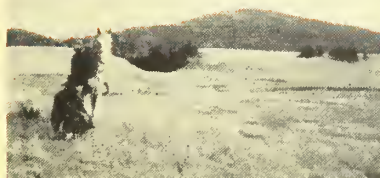
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*Of waitresses I often state
Without too much truth—stretching,
That though their beauty may be great,
They're still not very fetching!*

—S. S. BIDDLE

word in. Suddenly she grimaced and announced that she had just bitten her tongue.

"My," cut in another member, "how did you ever catch it?"

—F. G. KERNAN

On Being Delinquent

The reason why there are so many juvenile delinquents in America today is because their dads didn't burn their britches behind them.

—LIS ANDERSON

Feminine Fury

*It takes an awful lot of time,
At least a couple of hours or more,
For her to get out all the words
She says that she's too angry for.*

—CURTIS HEATH

The Eternal Spiral

*If inflation isn't halted, what this country
will be needing is a good five-cent quarter.*

—KEN KRAFT

Not Doing The Job Right

The parking lot owner strolled casually into the lot one afternoon with a smile on his face. He called the attendants together. "Boys," he said between puffs on his cigar, "we haven't had one complaint about dented fenders in over a week."

The attendants smiled proudly.

Then the boss roared: "How the heck do you think we can make any money if we leave all that space empty?"

—HARRY E. ROLL

"Hardy Softie"

*I love to watch the football champs,
And no rough weather spasm
Of sleet or blizzard ever damps
My wild enthusiasm.
I don't mind bitter winds that blow
On rooters in the stadium
Because my spirit is aglow
As though lit up by radium.
No wintry chills can make me quit
Before the game's decision;
As bravely, damnlessly I sit
And watch—on television.*

—BERTON BRALEY

What's My Line?

*And then there's the guy who went into
business for himself. He bought a tow truck
and got a contract with a drive-in theater
as the bouncer.*

—LEE J. BORDEN

Sweet Home

Home is a haven where we
Can be ourselves with our folks,
A place where everyone cares
And no one laughs at our jokes.

A place where it's safe to be rude
And obstinate as we please,
Where nobody bothers to listen
And everyone disagrees! —MAY RICHSTONE

Not Wasting Time

A soldier leaving an army base was overheard saying to a comrade: "This has got to be love at first sight. I'm on an eight-hour pass."

—HAROLD HITLER



"You've been nagging about a Dutch door for years. I thought I'd surprise you."

Fishing For Lunkers

"Sure, I caught a fish, but it was too small to bring home so I had a couple of fellows help me throw it back in the lake."

—L. D. WOMACK

Unavoidable

There seems to be a lot of talk these days about how hard it is to meet expenses. Can't understand that. I meet them everyplace I go.

—JIM HARGET

To A Carefree M.D.

*I've dutifully swallowed
Your potions and your pills.
Faithfully I've followed
Your orders, paid your bills,
But I throw a small connoption
And my sight grows rather blurry
When I hear your blithe prescription
"Not to worry!"*

—ETHEL JACOBSON

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